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# NOMENCLATURE

$I^+, I^-$	Upward (+) and downward (-) intensity matrices
$I_s^+, I_s^-$	Direct intensities, upward (+) and downward (-)
$I^i$	Incident scattering intensity
$m_v$	Snow liquid water content, % by volume
$P$	Rayleigh phase matrix
$R_g$	Ground reflectivity
$S_R$	Surface scatter function
$S_T$	Transmitted bistatic scattering coefficient
$t$	time, hours
$t_s$	time shift, hours
$W$	Snow water equivalent, cm
$\Delta$	The change in
$\partial \sigma^0 / \partial m_v$	Sensitivity of $\sigma^0$ to $m_v$ changes
$\epsilon_r$	Relative dielectric constant of snow
$\theta$	Angle of incidence
$\mu$	$\cos \theta$
$\rho$	Correlation coefficient
$\sigma^0$	Backscattering coefficient, dB
$T$	Optical depth
$\phi$	Azimuth angle
$\omega$	Albedo

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### ABSTRACT

Multifrequency measurements of the radar backscatter from snow-covered terrain were made at several sites in Brookings, South Dakota, during the month of March of 1979. The data are used to examine the response of the scattering coefficient,  $\sigma^0$ , to the following parameters: (1) snow surface roughness, (2) snow liquid water content, and (3) snow water equivalent. The results indicate that  $\sigma^0$  is insensitive to snow surface roughness if the snow is dry. For wet snow, however, surface roughness can have a strong influence on the magnitude of  $\sigma^0$ . These observations confirm the results predicted by a theoretical model that describes the snow as a volume of Rayleigh scatterers, bounded by a Gaussian random surface. In addition, empirical models were developed to relate  $\sigma^0$  to snow liquid water content and the dependence of  $\sigma^0$  on water equivalent was evaluated for both wet and dry snow conditions.

## 1.0 INTRODUCTION

Several experiments were conducted in the past few years to establish the response of the radar backscattering coefficient,  $\sigma^0$ , to snowpack properties. A 1978 literature review of the subject is available in Ulaby et al. (1978). Since the above review, the results of a 1977 experiment were recently published (Stiles and Ulaby, 1980; Ulaby and Stiles, 1980) in which the spectral, angular and polarization dependence of  $\sigma^0$  on snow properties were examined. These results provided information on the overall behavior of  $\sigma^0$  as a function of snow water equivalent, snow wetness, and the moisture content of the underlying soil medium, but many questions regarding the detailed behavior remain unanswered.

In 1979, an experiment was conducted at several sites in Brookings, South Dakota. The experiment description and results are the subject of this report.

## 2.0 EXPERIMENT DESCRIPTION

### 2.1 Test Sites

Three areas near Brookings, South Dakota were selected as test sites for the radar (Figure 2.1) and ground truth data acquisition. These sites were selected to provide variation in ground characteristics and snow depth.

The first site was a corn-stubble field at the South Dakota State University Agricultural Engineering Research Unit. After the corn had



Figure 2.1. The MAS 8-18/35 system during data acquisition at the Staurolite snowdrift. The instrumentation van is pictured in the foreground and the hydraulic boom truck in the rear.

been harvested in the fall, the soil was turned over with a disc. The maximum-to-minimum height variation of the soil was of the order of 10 cm. Figure 2.2 shows the field after snowmelt; the trees in the foreground are approximately three feet tall. During data acquisition, the snow depth varied between 22 cm and 31 cm depending on spatial location, as shown in Figure 2.3. Figure 2.4 shows two photographs of the snow surface.

The second test site was an area of deep snow located behind the Staurolite Inn in Brookings. This area is pictured in Figure 2.5 and will henceforth be referred to as the "Staurolite snowdrift." The snowdrift formed as a result of the combined influences of the snowfence pictured in Figure 2.5b and the ridge next to the motel parking lot. These two obstructions caused snow to fill in between to a depth of approximately 80 cm. The snow-depth measurements are given in Figure 2.6. Although the depth varied significantly, it was fairly constant over the range of angles of incidence observed ( $40^\circ$  and  $50^\circ$ ). The far side of the fence also was observed at a  $75^\circ$  angle of incidence.

The third test site was the South Dakota State University (SDSU) football practice field (Figure 2.7). Visual observations suggested that the field was flat and that the snow depth was constant across the entire field. Snow depth measurements showed, however, that the soil surface was higher in elevation in the central part of the field than around the edges. Consequently, the snow depth was not the same for observations made at different angles of incidence; the depth was 70 cm for the  $0^\circ$ , 50 cm for the  $20^\circ$  and only 30 cm for the  $50^\circ$  and  $70^\circ$  angle of incidence data. The snow depths measured at this site are given in Figure 2.8.



Figure 2.2. Corn stubble field at SDSU Agricultural Engineering Research Unit

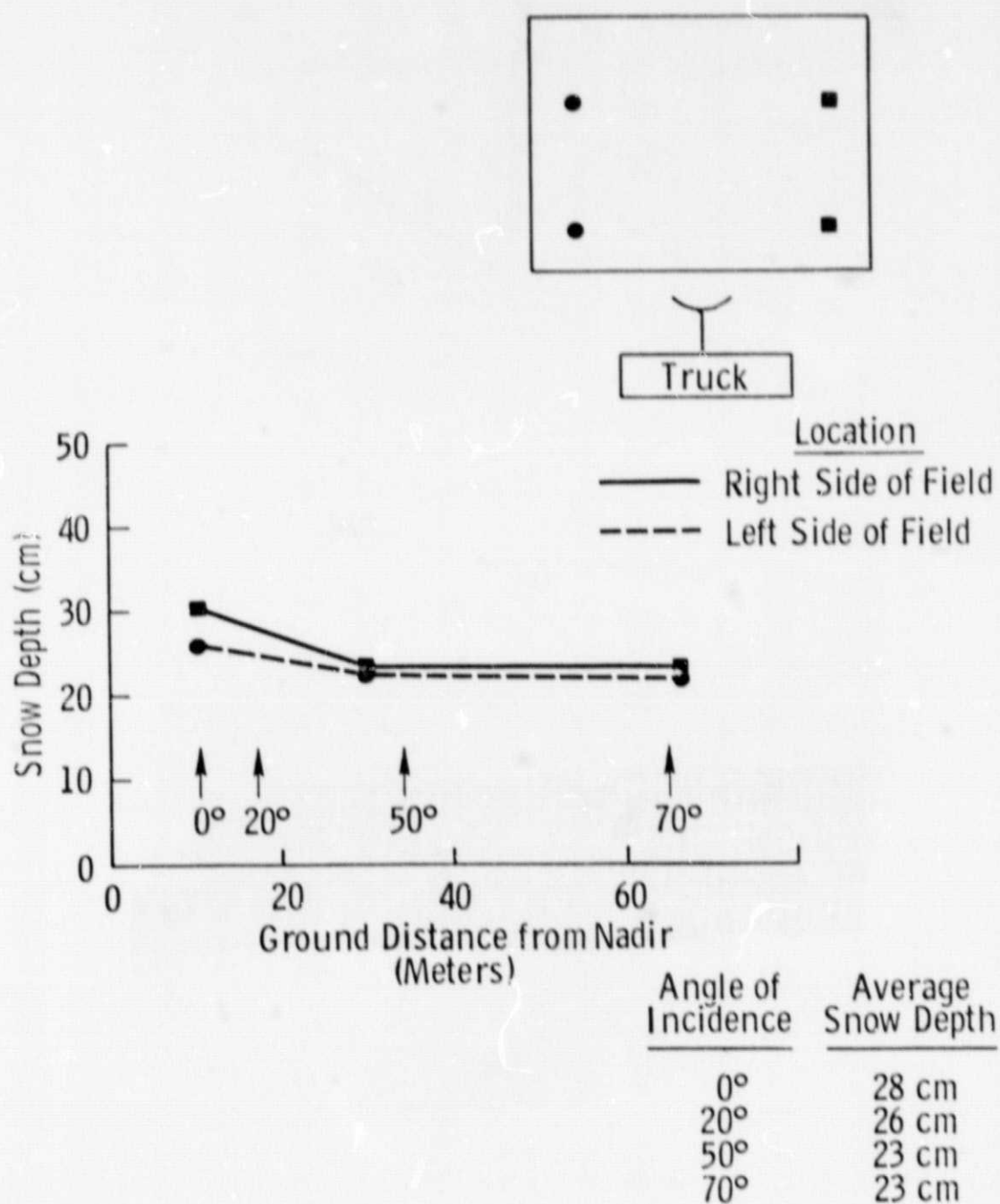
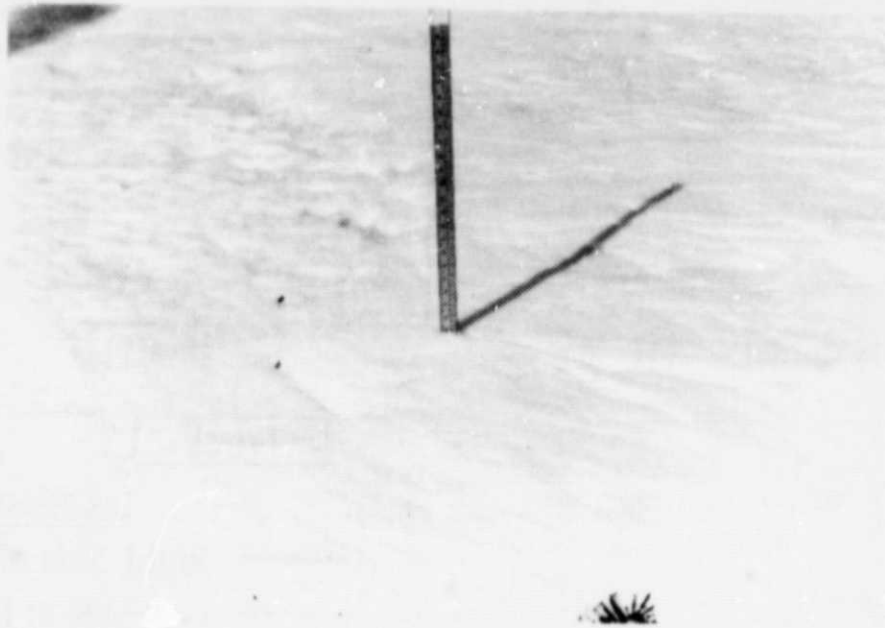
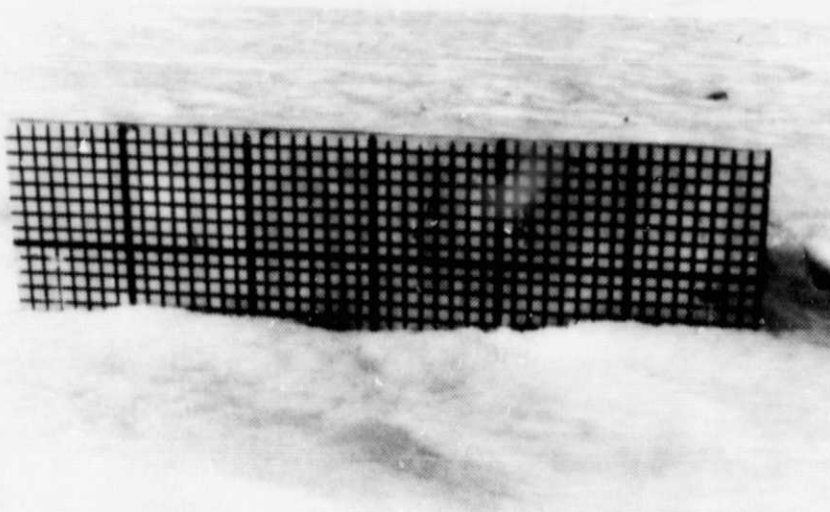


Figure 2.3. Snow depth of the corn-stubble field at the SDSU Agricultural Engineering Research Unit. These depths are valid for 3/12/79. The arrows indicate snow depths at the different angles of incidence.





(a)



(b)

Figure 2.4. Snow surface of the corn stubble field.



(a)



(b)

Figure 2.5. Photographs of the Staurolite snowdrift showing the MAS 8-18/35 boom and the snow fence.



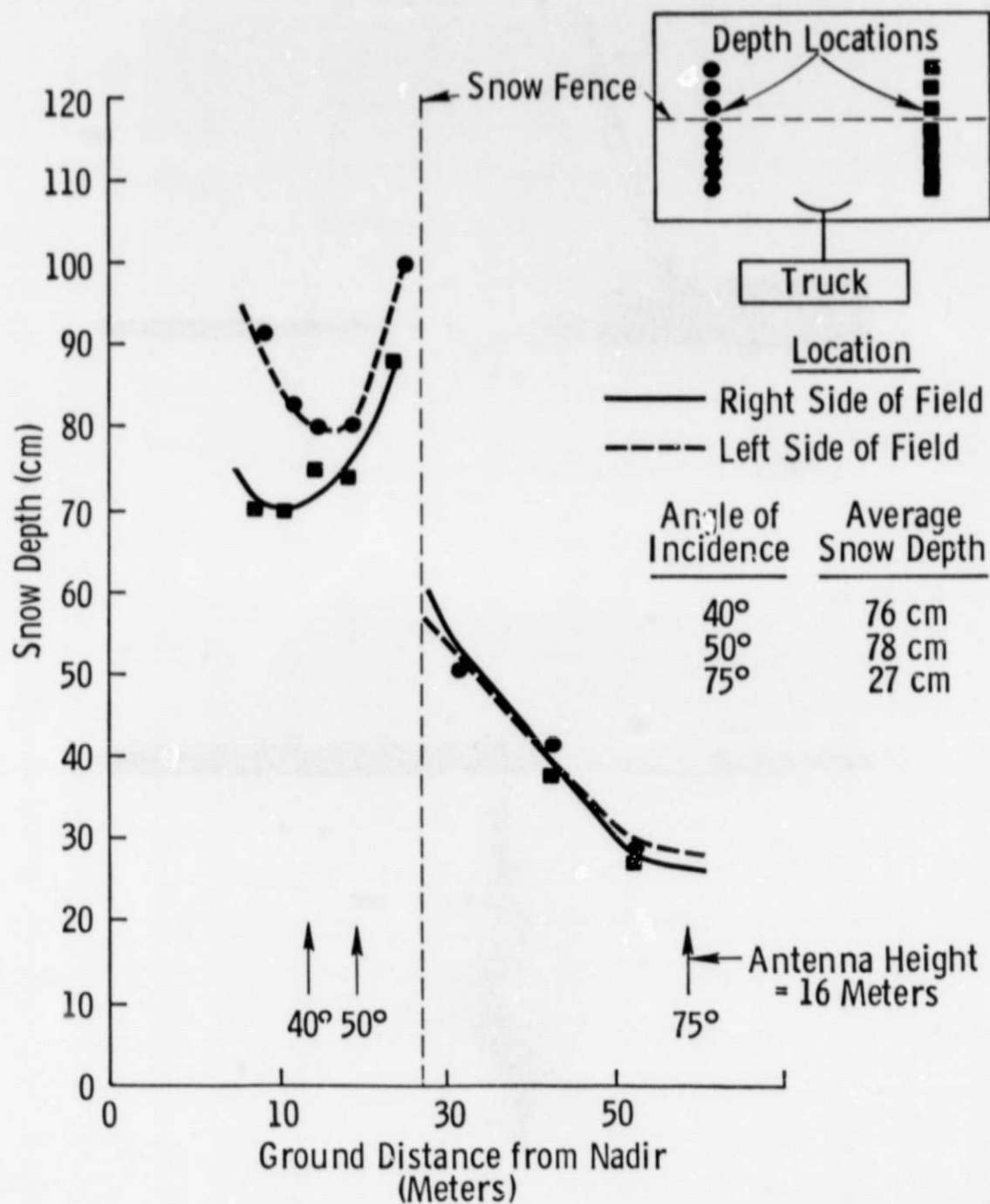
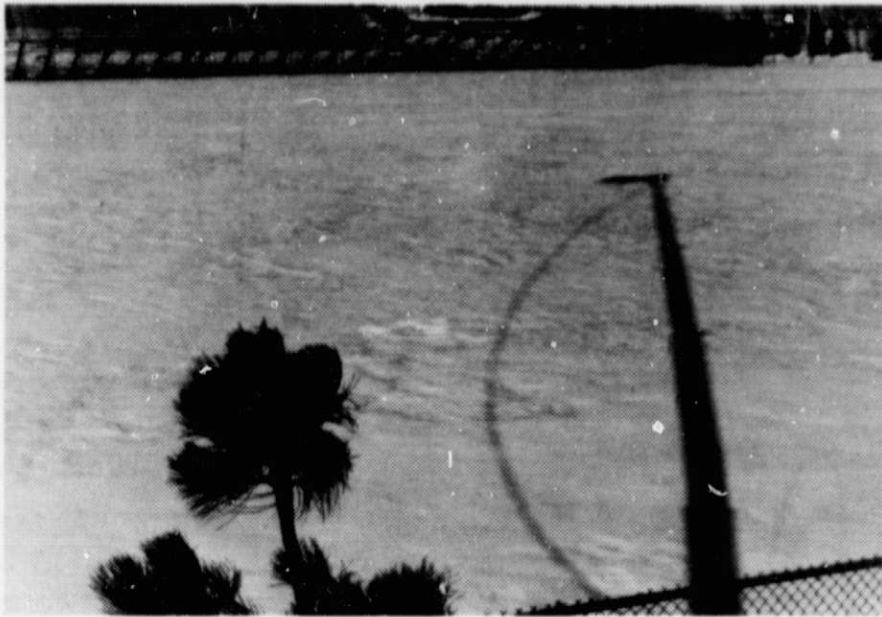


Figure 2.6. Snow depths of the snowdrift at the Stauroilite Inn in Brookings, S.D. These depths are valid for 3/13 to 3/17/79. The arrows indicate snow depths at the different angles of incidence.



(a)



(b)

Figure 2.7. SDSU practice football field. (a) shows the MAS 8-18/35 boom shadow and the test-site surface and (b) shows a close-up of the snow surface.

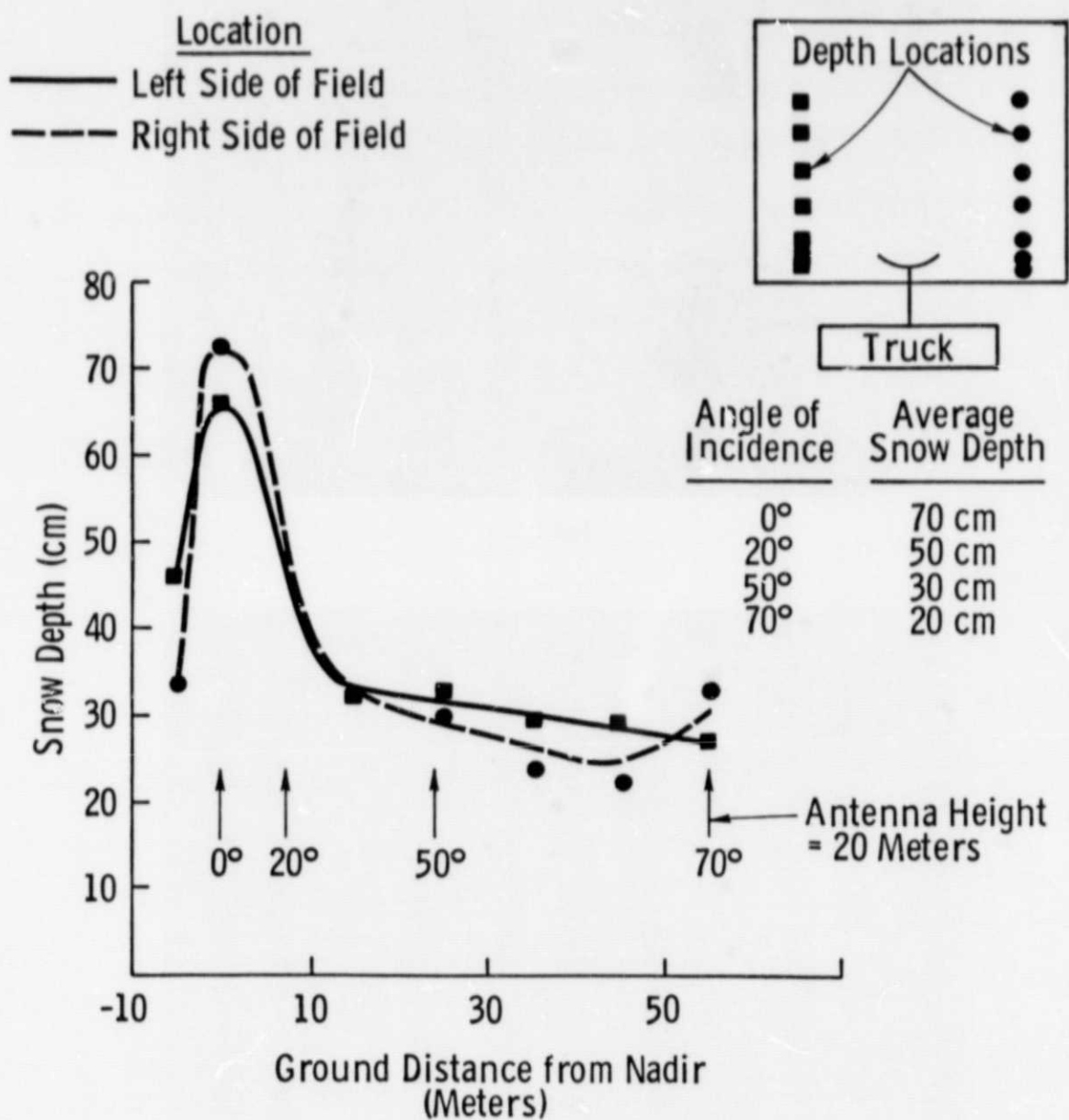


Figure 2.8. Snow depths at the SDSU football field. These depths are valid for both 3/14 and 3/16/79. The arrows indicate snow depths at the different angles of incidence.

## 2.2 MAS 8-18/35 Scatterometer

The MAS (Microwave Active Spectrometer) 8-18/35 is a truck-mounted wideband FM-CW radar; its system specifications are given in Table 2.1. A complete system description can be found in a report by Ulaby et al. (1979). Radar data were acquired at four frequencies (8.6, 13.0, 17.0 and 35.6 GHz) for two linear-polarization configurations (HH, horizontal transmit-horizontal receive and HV, horizontal transmit-vertical receive). These data were obtained at angles between 0° (nadir) and 75° angle of incidence.

The receive power levels were converted to scattering cross-section by a two-step calibration procedure. Short-term fluctuations, caused by oscillator power and other system variations, were removed by comparing the power received from the observation area to the power received through a delay line connected in lieu of the antennas. Calibration to absolute cross-section was achieved by referencing the received power from the target to the received power from an object of known radar cross-section. A Luneberg lens reflector was used for this purpose.

## 2.3 Ground Truth Description

The ground truth data consisted of the following: snow depth and stratification, snow water equivalent, snow wetness in the near-surface layers, snow surface roughness, temperature profiles and soil state. Stratification and density profiles, along with an overall water equivalent measurement, were obtained twice daily. The density samples were taken using a PVC cylinder with a volume of 105 ml. Usually, two

TABLE 2.1  
MAS 8-18/35 System Specifications

	MAS 8-18	35 GHz Channel
Type	FM-CW	FM-CW
Modulating Waveform	Triangular	Triangular
Frequency Range	8-18 GHz	35.6 GHz
FM Sweep: $\phi f$	800 MHz	800 MHz
Transmitter Power	10 dBm	1 dBm
Intermediate Frequency	50 KHz	1.5 GHz & 50 KHz
IF Bandwidth	10 KHz	800 MHz & 10 KHz
Antennas:		
Height above ground	23 m	23 m
Type	46 cm Reflector	Scalar Horn
Feed	Quad-ridged Horn	---
Polarization	HH, HV, VV, RR, RL, LL	HH, HV, VV, RR, RL, LL
Beamwidths	4° at 8.6 GHz 2° at 17.0 GHz	3°
Incidence Angle	0° (nadir) - 80°	0° (nadir) - 80°
Calibration:		
Internal	Signal Injection (delay line)	Signal Injection (delay line)
External	Luneberg Lens Reflector	Luneberg Lens Reflector



to three cores were taken for a given layer. The overall water equivalent sample was taken vertically with a split-barrel PVC tube.

The liquid water in the surface layers (0-2 cm, 2-5 cm, and 5-10 cm) was measured using a freezing-calorimeter technique (Leaf, 1966; Stiles et al., 1977). The liquid water content is expressed as percent by volume ( $100 \times \text{gm/cm}^3$ ). The time interval for a single measurement was slightly less than 30 minutes. During periods of rapid change (snow-melt or freeze), the liquid water was sampled at this rate, while during periods of little change, it was sampled at approximately one-hour intervals. The surface roughness was recorded by photographing a metal plate with a one-inch grid (see Figure 3.10). In addition, temperature profiles were monitored at 30-minute time intervals using a digital thermometer. Finally, the soil state was checked daily to see if the ground was frozen or thawed. If the ground was thawed, the soil moisture was measured.

The ground-truth data are given in Appendix A. A more complete description of ground truth procedures and techniques is available in a previous report by Stiles and Ulaby (1980b).

#### 2.4 Data Acquisition

Data were acquired over an eight-day period. On six of those days, data were obtained continuously for periods of from 9 to 14 hours. Generally, three angles of incidence were monitored per data-set, resulting in data-set durations of approximately 40 minutes each.

During these diurnal experiments, dry snow conditions were observed for three days, wet snow was observed for one day, and the snowmelt

process was observed during two of the days. Weather conditions prevented observation of the snowmelt process at the Staurolite snowdrift site, while the other targets were observed under these conditions. Analysis of these observations is given in Section 3.1.

The effects of surface roughness on  $\sigma^0$  were investigated for one day under wet snow conditions. The roughness was produced in three stages. First, the  $\sigma^0$  behavior of the natural snow surface (smooth) was measured. Then the experiment-personnel walked over the area, creating footprint impressions to a depth of about three inches, thereby generating a "rough" surface. Finally, walking on and kicking the snow created a "very rough" surface characterized by many footprints and "clods" or balls of snow. These surfaces are pictured in Figure 2.9. Again, weather conditions prevented observations over dry snow. Analysis of these data is presented in Section 3.2.

On the final day of observations, a snowpile experiment was conducted. The Staurolite snowdrift area was cleared or piled, as required, to the following snow-depths: 0 cm (bare), 51 cm, 79 cm (natural depth), and 143 cm. These areas are pictured in Figure 2.10. Standard multi-parameter data sets were obtained. In another format, frequency, angle, and polarization were fixed and the antennas were scanned across the four test-piles. The received power was recorded on an X-Y plotter. The snowpile measurements were made at  $0^\circ$  (nadir) and  $40^\circ$  angle of incidence for HH and HV polarizations. Analysis of the scan as well as regular data for the snowpiles is given in Section 3.3.

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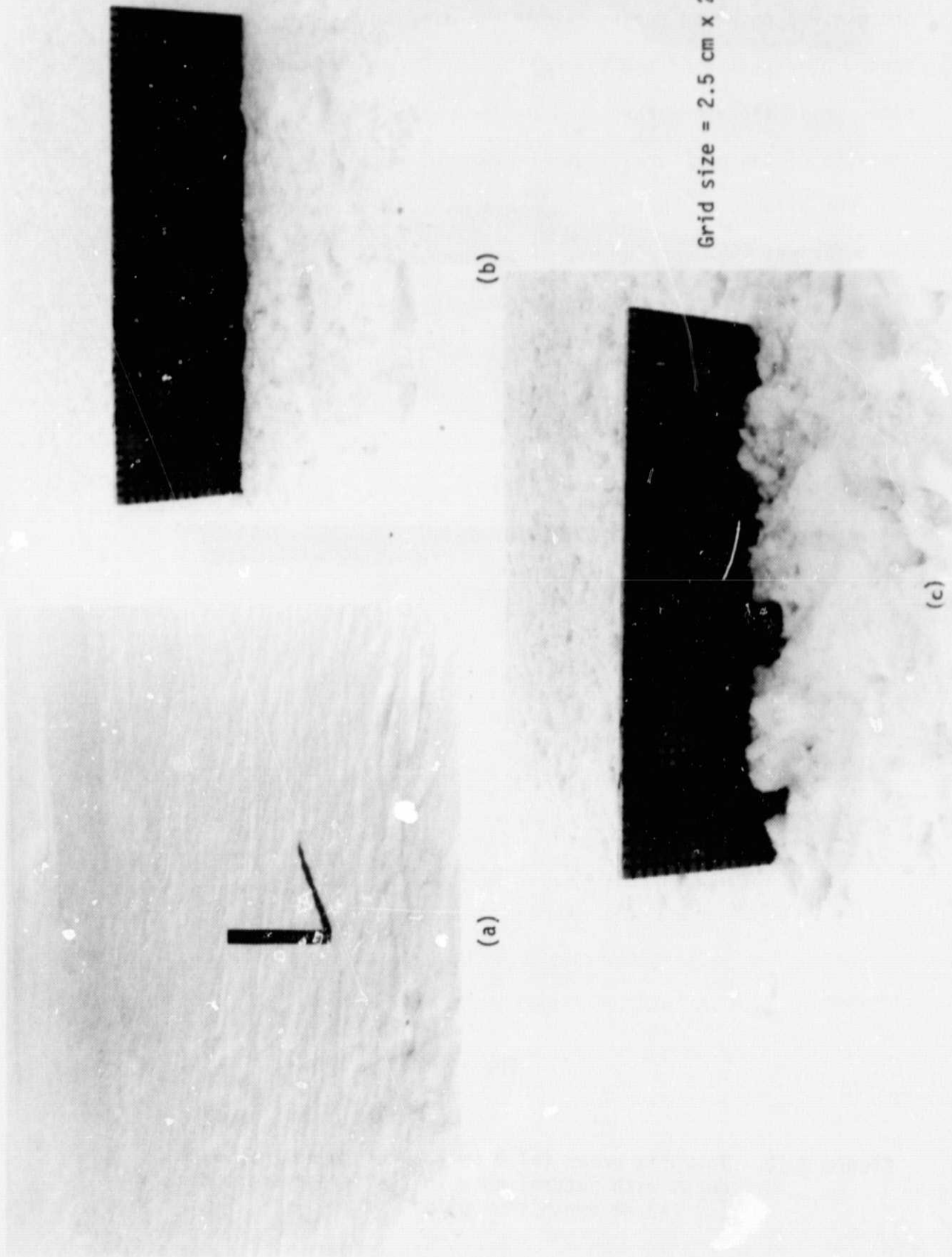


Figure 2.9. The effect of varying roughness of wet snow, (a) smooth surface, (b) rough surface, (c) very rough surface.





(a)



(b)

Figure 2.10. Snowpile areas (a) 0 cm - bare ground (b) 59-cm depth with natural snow in the foreground and (c) 143 cm depth snow pile.



(c)

### 3.0 DATA ANALYSES

This section presents the data analyses for the Brookings experiment and compares these results with the Colorado observations made in 1977.

#### 3.1 Diurnal Response

Diurnal experiments were performed at least once at each of the test sites. One diurnal set was obtained on the corn-stubble field; two were obtained from the football field; and three were obtained from the Staurolite snowdrift.

##### 3.1.1 Snowcovered Corn-Stubble

The snowcovered corn-stubble field is pictured in Figures 2.2 and 2.4. It was observed only once, on March 12, 1979, because complete snowmelt occurred before the field could be visited again. Figure 3.1 illustrates the temperature variation and the snow liquid water variation as a function of time. The sky conditions remained clear, with the air temperature staying below  $0^{\circ}\text{C}$  most of the day. A peak temperature of  $0.5^{\circ}\text{C}$  was observed in the afternoon. With this positive temperature, and negligible winds, a peak liquid water content of about 4% by volume was measured in the surface snow layer (0-2 cm). This value decreased later in the afternoon, due to a decrease in solar intensity and air temperature. The ground remained frozen all day. Figure 2.3 shows the snow depths measured for this field at different locations. At nadir and low angles of incidence, the snow was an average of 28 cm deep. For high angles of incidence, the depth decreased slightly to an average of 22 cm.

Date: 3/12/79

Target: Corn Stubble

Snow Depth: 26 cm

Snow Water Equivalent:  
6 cm

— Surface  
 - - - 2 cm Below Snow Surface  
 — Ground Level

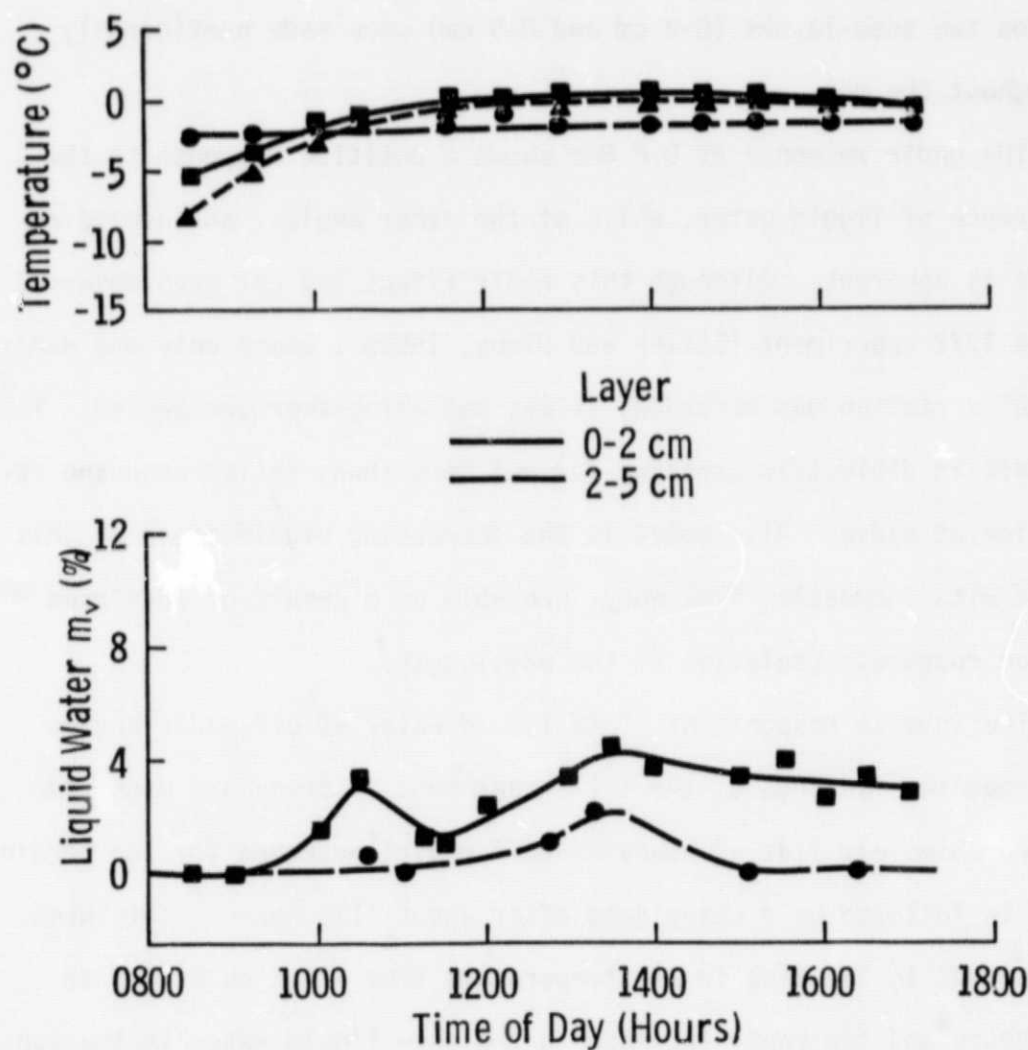


Figure 3.1. Temperature and liquid water variation on the corn stubble.

The diurnal response of  $\sigma^0$  for four frequencies and three angles of incidence, along with snow liquid water  $m_v$  for the top snow layer, are shown in Figure 3.2. Backscatter measurements at 35.6 GHz were not obtained, due to system problems. Snow liquid water measurements for the top two snow-layers (0-2 cm and 2-5 cm) were made continuously throughout the day.

The nadir response at 8.6 GHz shows a positive response to the appearance of liquid water, while at the other angles, an inverse response is apparent. Although this nadir effect had not been observed in the 1977 experiment (Stiles and Ulaby, 1980b), where only one nadir diurnal variation was recorded, it was not altogether unexpected. The increase in dielectric constant for wet snow tends to increase the reflection at nadir. Also noted is the decreasing significance of this effect with increasing frequency, probably as a result of increased surface roughness (relative to the wavelength).

The inverse response of  $\sigma^0$  to liquid water at off-nadir angles confirmed the findings of the 1977 experiment in trend and magnitude. The approximately flat  $\sigma^0$  behavior (off-nadir) observed for the morning hours is followed by a sharp drop after about 1130 hours. This drop corresponds to the rise in air temperature from  $-1^\circ \text{C}$  to  $0.2^\circ \text{C}$  at 1130 hours and the rapid increase in the snow liquid water in the top-most snow-layers. The magnitude of the change in  $\sigma^0$  values is at first surprising. One might not expect a significant amount of liquid water to be formed for air temperatures just a fraction above  $0^\circ \text{C}$ . The clear skies and calm winds, however, allowed a large amount of solar energy to be transferred to the snow, resulting in the snowmelt. From this

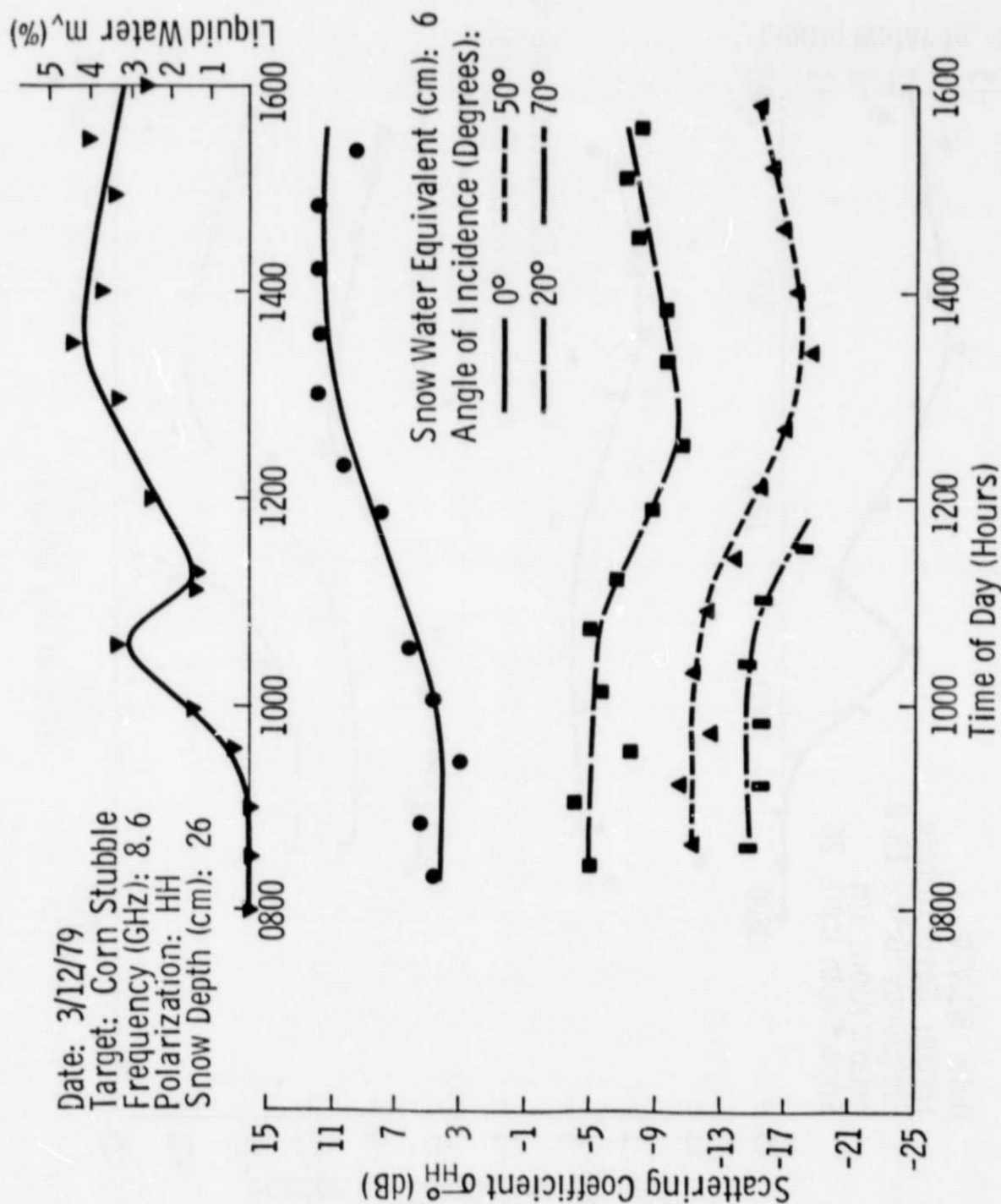
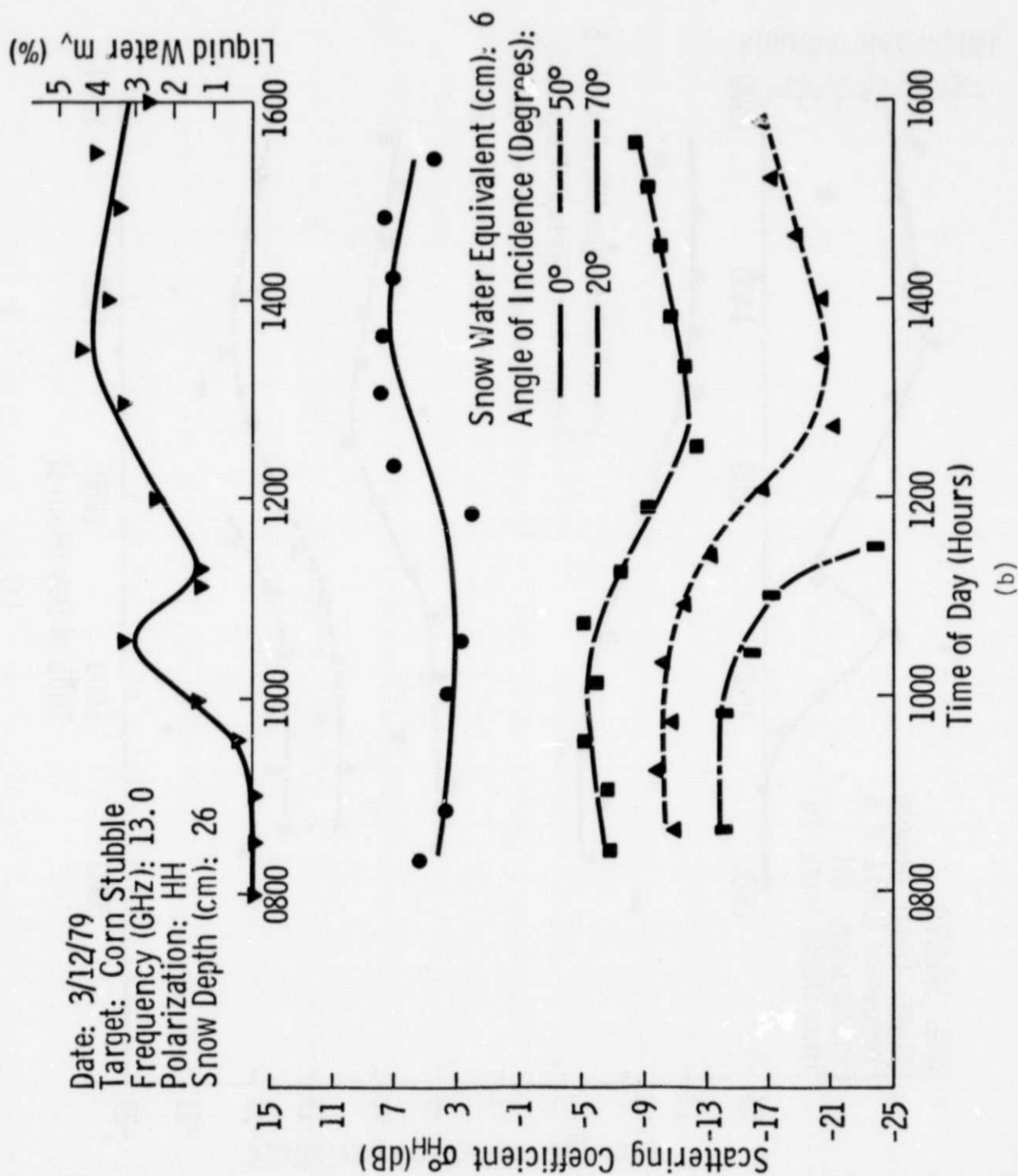
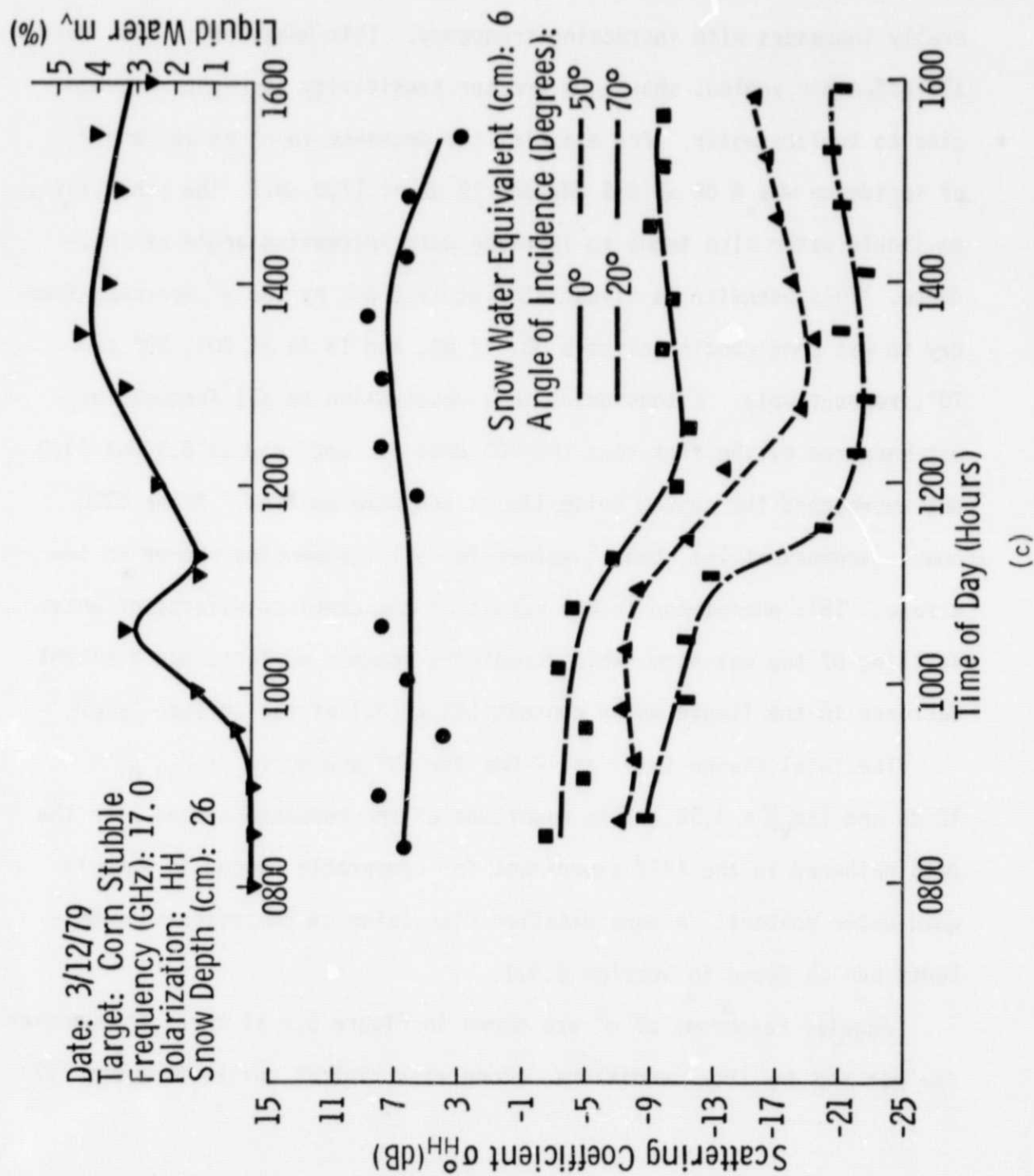


Figure 3.2. Diurnal variation of  $m_v$  and  $\sigma_H^0$  at (a) 8.6 GHz, (b) 13.0 GHz, and 17.0 GHz on the corn stubble.









diurnal set, we can observe that air temperatures alone are of little help in determining the wetness of or microwave response to snow. Also noted is that the decrease in  $\sigma^0$  in response to snow liquid water generally increases with increasing frequency. This behavior is true for all off-nadir angles, showing a greater sensitivity at higher frequencies to surface water. For example, the decrease in  $\sigma^0$  at  $50^\circ$  angle of incidence was 6 dB at 8.6 GHz and 10 dB at 17.0 GHz. The sensitivity to liquid water also tends to increase with increasing angle of incidence. This behavior is illustrated at 17.0 GHz by the  $\sigma^0$  decrease from dry to wet snow conditions of 8 dB, 12 dB, and 13 dB at  $20^\circ$ ,  $50^\circ$  and  $70^\circ$ , respectively. Extension of this observation to all frequencies was hampered by the fact that the  $70^\circ$  data for wet snow at 8.6 and 13.0 GHz approached the system noise limits and were omitted. After 1300 hours (approximately), the  $\sigma^0$  values for all frequencies showed an increase. This phenomenon is the result of the combined effects of uneven settling of the wet snow, which created a rougher surface, and a slight decrease in the liquid water content (4% to 3%) of the surface layer.

The total change in  $\sigma^0$  at 17 GHz for  $50^\circ$  and  $m_v$  is  $|\Delta\sigma^0_{17.0}| = 12$  dB and  $|\Delta m_v| = 4.5\%$ . This magnitude of the response agrees with the data gathered in the 1977 experiment for comparable change in snow liquid water content. A more detailed discussion of the response magnitudes can be found in Section 3.4.1.

Angular responses of  $\sigma^0$  are shown in Figure 3.3 at three frequencies for wet and dry snow conditions, along with typical curves from the 1977

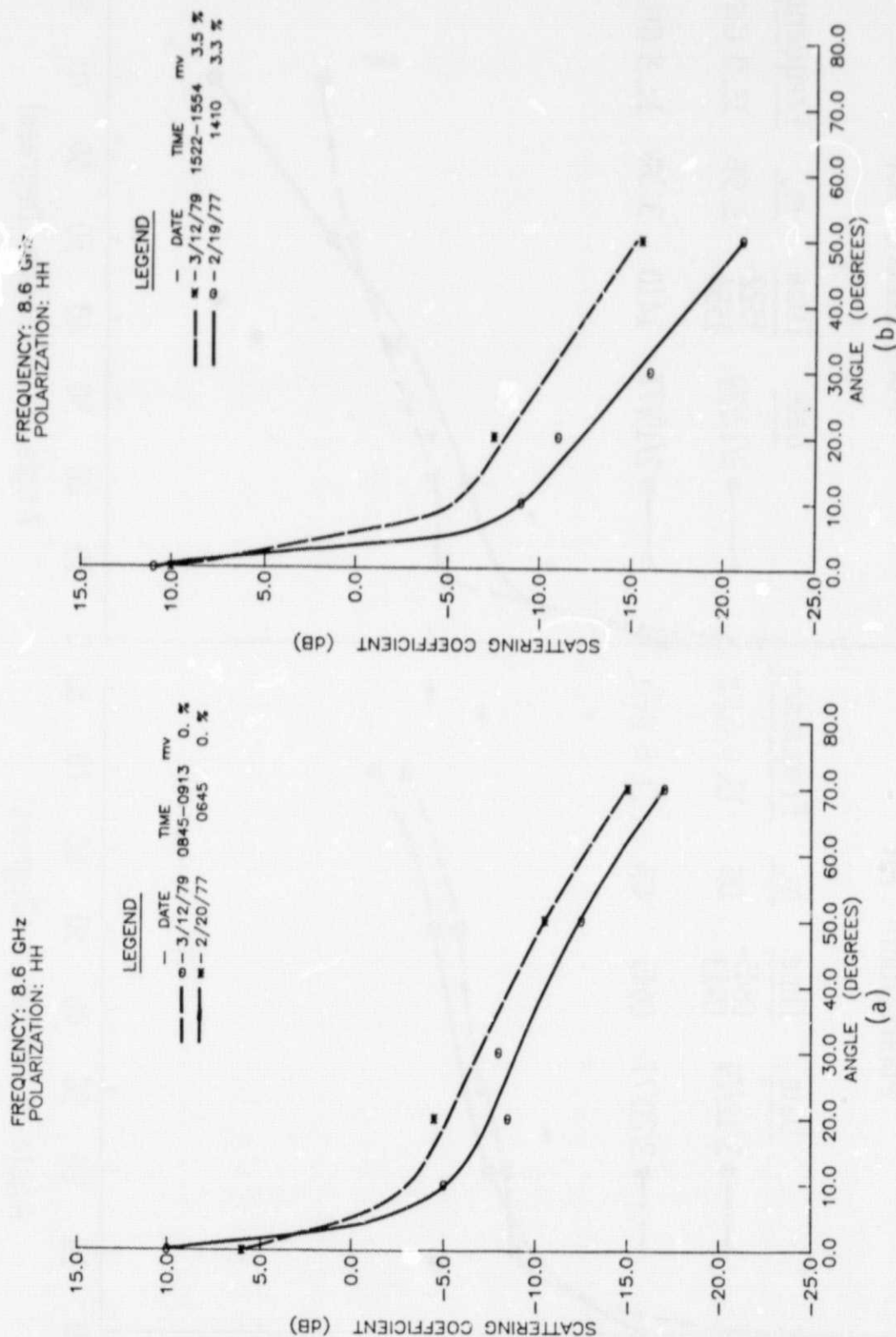
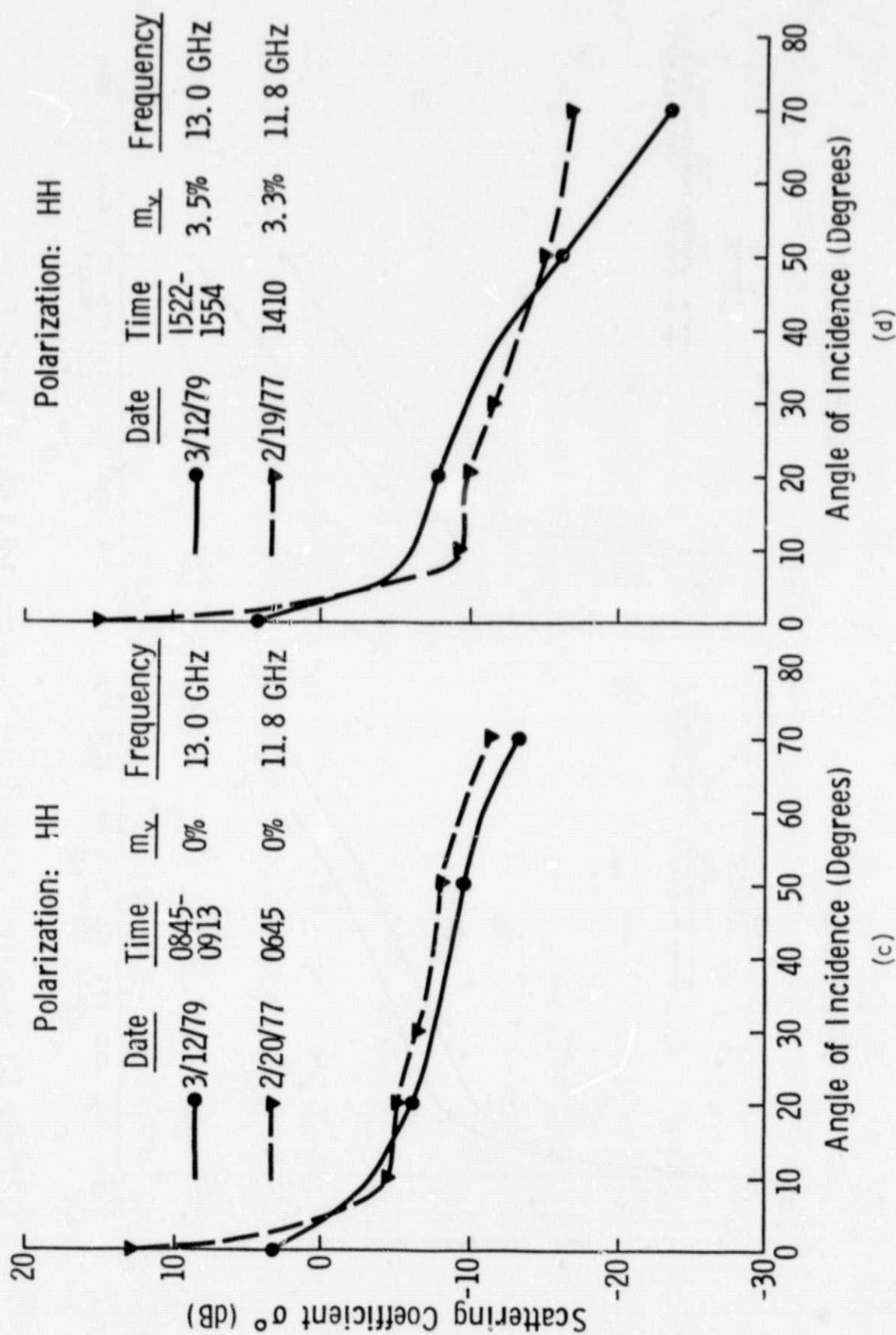
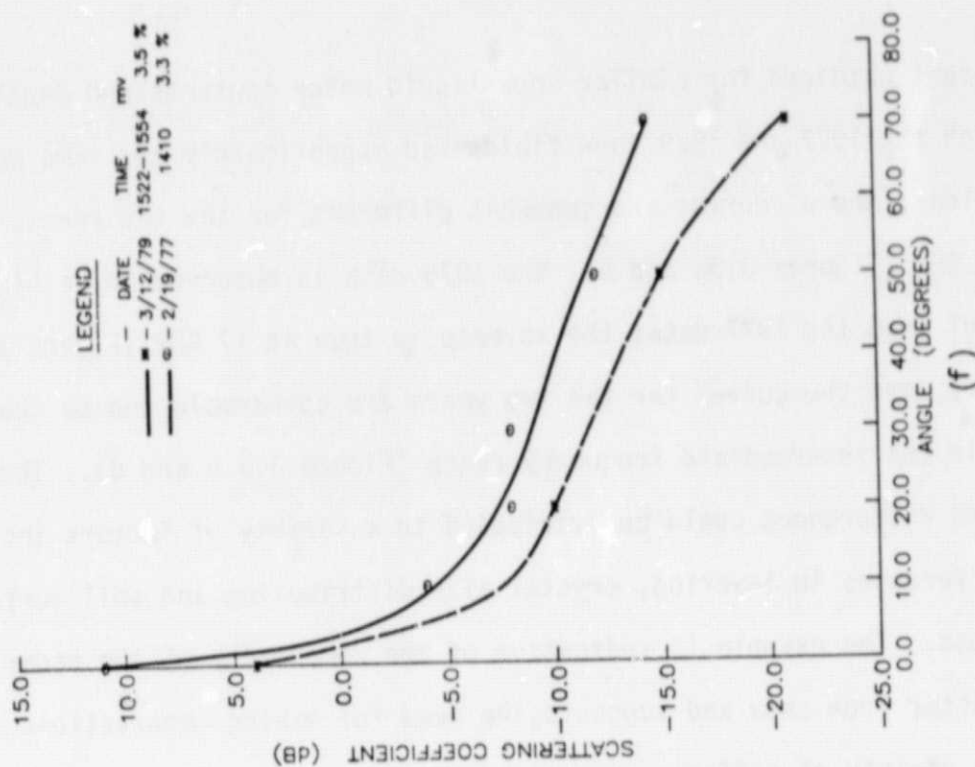


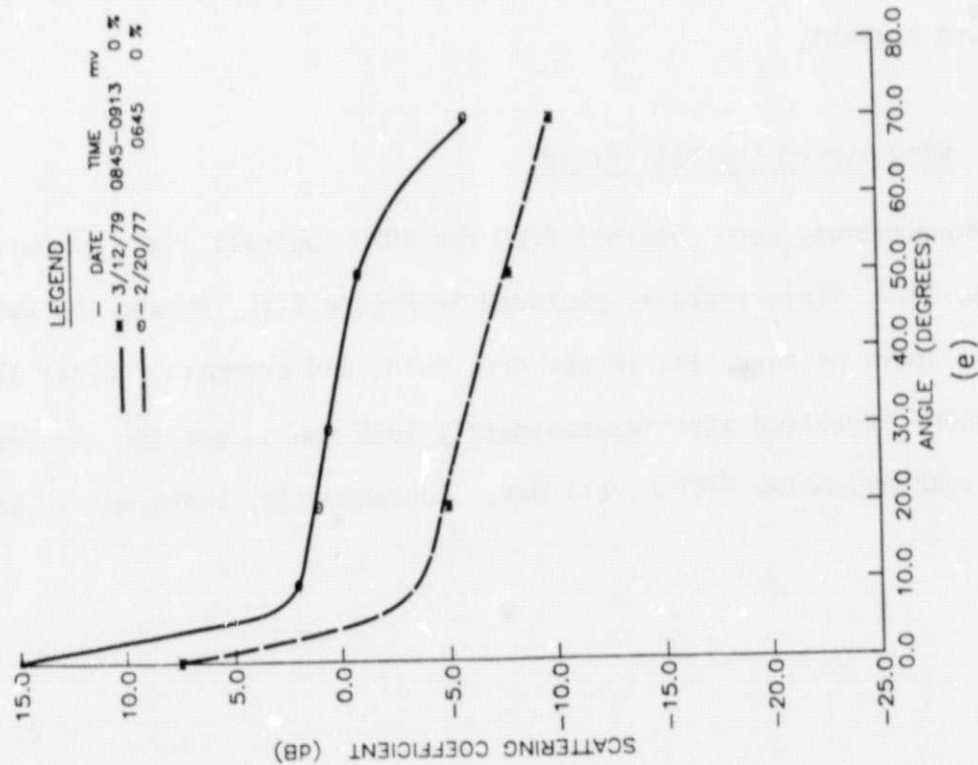
Figure 3.3 Comparison of the  $\sigma^0$  data at (a and b) 8.6 GHz, (c and d) 11 to 13 GHz, and (e and f) 17.0 GHz from two different years and climatic conditions for wet and dry snow conditions.



FREQUENCY: 17.0 GHz  
POLARIZATION: HH



FREQUENCY: 17.0 GHz  
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experiment obtained for similar snow liquid water contents and depths. Although the 1977 and 1979 snow fields had approximately the same water equivalent, the  $\sigma^0$  curves are somewhat different for the two years. At 8.6 GHz (Figures 3.3a and b), the 1979 data is observed to be higher in level than the 1977 data; the reverse is true at 17 GHz (Figure 3.3 e and f), and the curves for the two years are comparable one to the other in the intermediate frequency range (Figure 3.3 c and d). The observed differences could be attributed to a variety of factors including differences in layering, crystal size distribution and soil surface roughness. The example is indicative of the complexity of the radar backscatter from snow and suggests the need for making observations under a variety of different snow conditions so as to establish the statistical variability associated with changes in parameters other than water equivalent, density, snow liquid water content and soil moisture content.

### 3.1.2 Snowcovered Football Field

Measurements were obtained from the SDSU football field on March 14 and 16, 1979. This field is pictured in Figure 2.7. During the early morning hours of March 14, it was dry, cold, and overcast. Clear sky conditions prevailed after approximately 1030 hours, but the air temperature remained below  $-10^{\circ}$  C, all day. Consequently, there was no snow-



melt. This particular weather condition had not been observed previously and it demonstrated that the air temperature must be close to  $0^{\circ}\text{C}$  for snowmelt to occur in the very-near-surface layer. The ground was frozen at the high angle of incidence target areas ( $50^{\circ}$  and  $70^{\circ}$ ), where the snow depth was about 30 cm. It was thawed at the near-nadir area, where the 70-cm snow depth had insulated the soil from the cold air during the previous night. The temperature variation at the soil surface, snow surface, and for the air approximately one meter above the soil surface is shown in Figure 3.4 for both days. Also shown is the liquid water content,  $m_v$ , for the 0-2 and 2-5 cm snow layers. Since there was no snowmelt on March 14, the  $\sigma^0$  response was flat for all frequencies and angles of incidence away from nadir. Figure 3.5 depicts the diurnal response at 17 GHz, and Figure 3.6 shows the response at  $50^{\circ}$  angle of incidence for two days of observation. The combination of the "unchanging" snow conditions and the "perfectly stable" scatterometer provides an opportunity to evaluate the variance under supposedly constant conditions. Table 3.1 presents the mean and standard-deviation values expressed in dB units. With few exceptions, the standard deviation is less than 1.3 dB for both polarizations at all frequencies. These values are much smaller than variations which result when snowpack characteristics change. Also, the mean  $\sigma^0$  values at the  $50^{\circ}$  and  $70^{\circ}$  angles for this day were observed to increase with increasing frequency. This trend is in agreement with the results of past experiments (Stiles and Ulaby, 1980).

The second diurnal experiment on this field was performed on March 16, 1979. Sunny skies during the early morning turned cloudy around 0900



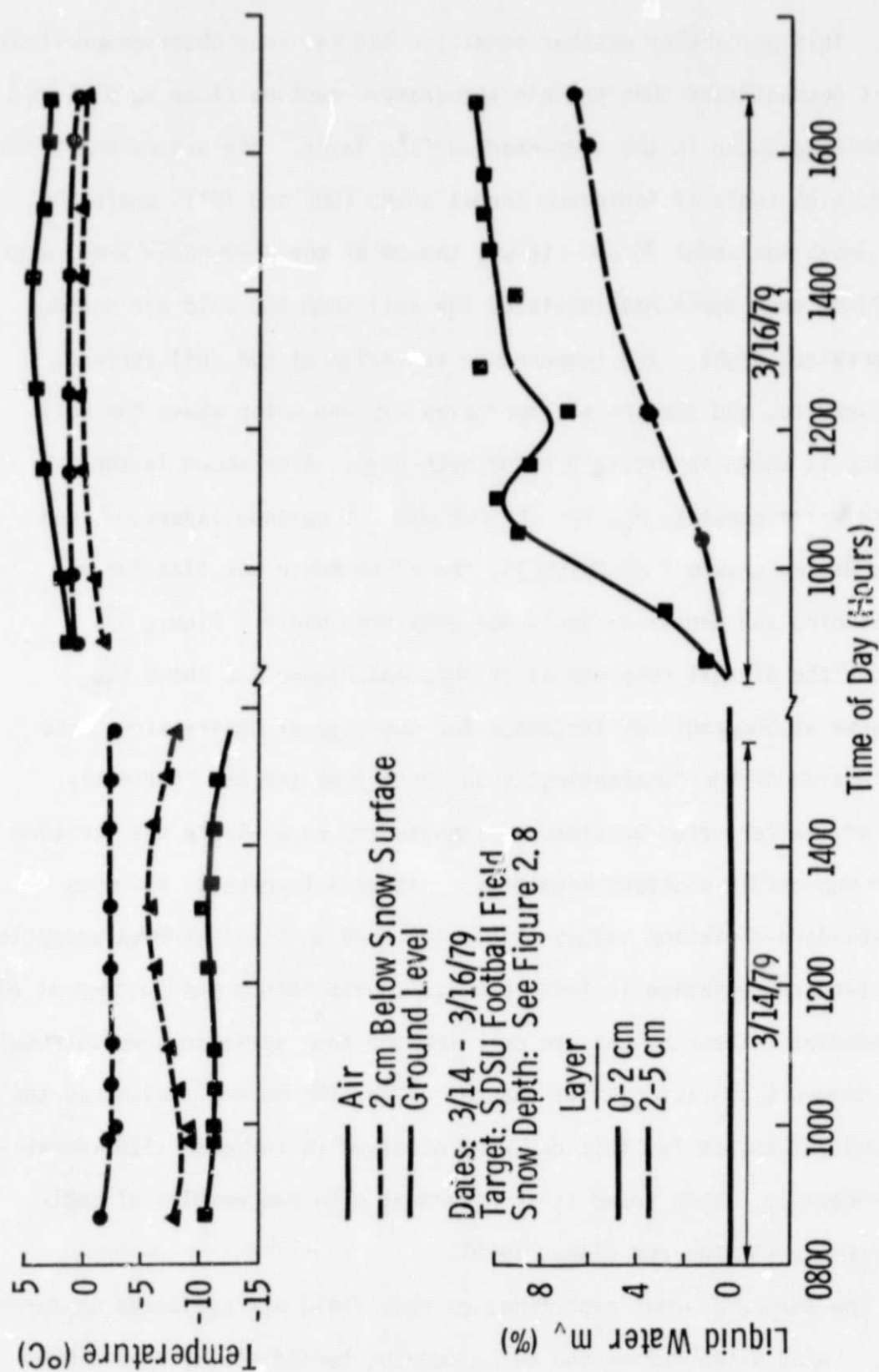


Figure 3.4. Temperature and liquid water variation for the two days' observations on the SDSU football field.

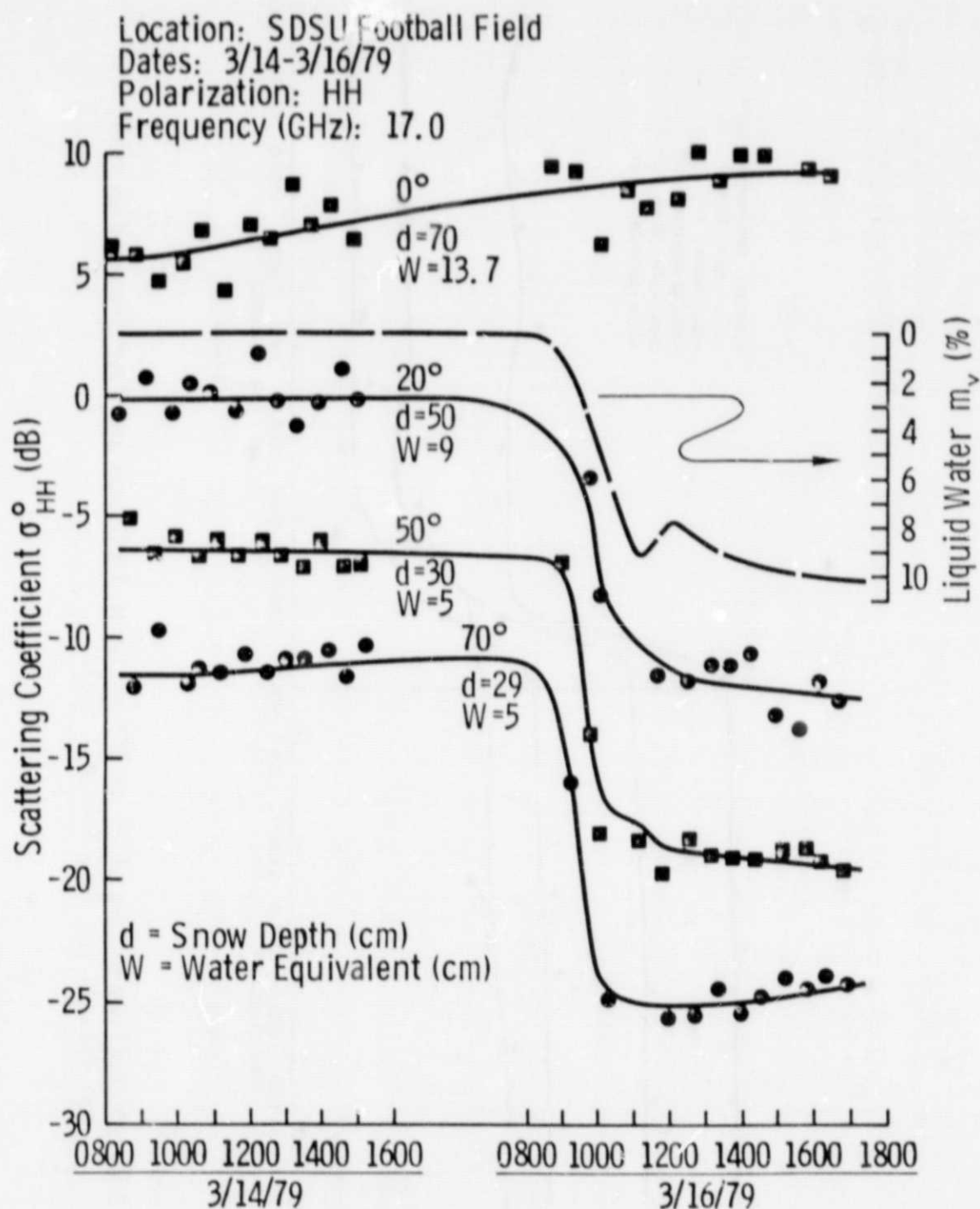


Figure 3.5. Diurnal variation at  $m_v$  and  $\sigma^0$  at 17 GHz and four angles of incidence over two days on the SDSU football field.

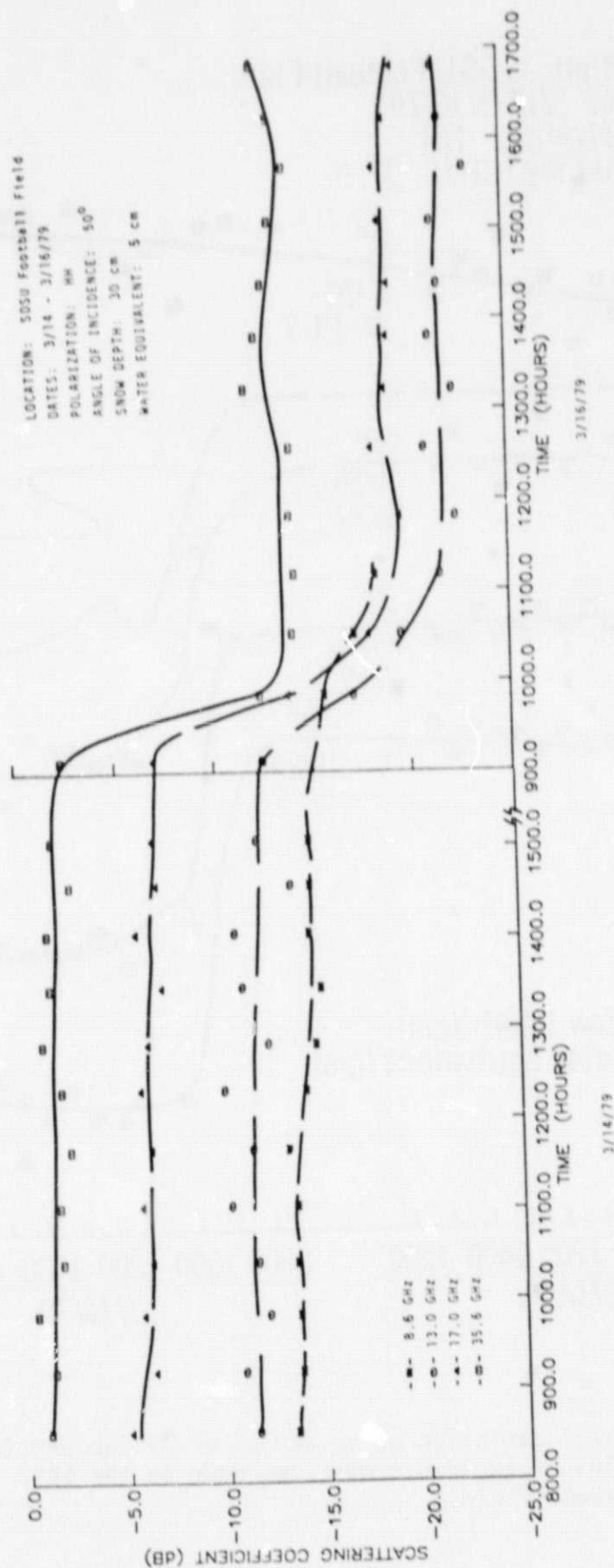


Figure 3.6. Diurnal variation of  $\sigma^0$  at  $50^\circ$  angle of incidence and four frequencies over two days on the SDSU football field.

TABLE 3.1

COMBINED MAS SYSTEM AND SNOW VARIATION UNDER  
"CONSTANT" CONDITIONS ON 3/14/79

(Liquid Water Content  $m_v = 0\%$ )

Mean $\sigma^0$ (dB)					
Angle of Incidence (degrees)	Polarization	Frequency (GHz)			
		8.6	13.0	17.0	35.6
0°	HH	7.85	4.06	6.42	5.6
	HV	1.01	- 3.83	- 1.03	-4.54
20°	HH	0.48	- 1.2	- 0.06	-0.81
	HV	- 3.96	- 7.4	- 6.26	-4.35
50°	HH	-14.09	-11.49	- 6.2	-1.55
	HV	-20.31	-16.86	-11.96	-4.93
70°	HH	---	-16.69	-10.98	-8.09
	HV	-25.15	-22.69	-17.28	---

Standard Deviations of $\sigma^0$ (dB)					
Angle of Incidence (degrees)	Polarization	Frequency (GHz)			
		8.6	13.0	17.0	35.6
0°	HH	0.91	1.37	1.27	0.73
	HV	0.9	1.28	0.8	0.87
20°	HH	0.53	1.3	0.87	0.58
	HV	1.01	1.76	0.67	0.67
50°	HH	0.61	0.97	0.55	0.58
	HV	0.55	0.88	0.68	0.77
70°	HH	---	1.05	0.7	1.17
	HV	0.44	0.61	1.36	---

hours. The air temperature was at 1° C at 0900 and continued to rise in a warming trend that peaked at about 5° C at 1400 hours. Snow liquid water values of almost 3% by volume were observed as early as 0900 and increased to more than 10% during the afternoon (Figure 3.4).

Figures 3.5 and 3.6 show the diurnal variation of  $\sigma^0$ . Again  $\sigma^0$  is observed to decrease with  $m_v$ , and the magnitude of its sensitivity to  $m_v$ ,  $|\partial\sigma^0/\partial m_v|$ , appears to increase with increasing angle of incidence and frequency. At 17 GHz (Figure 3.5) the change in  $\sigma^0$  between noon on 3/14 and noon on 3/16 is about 10 dB at  $\theta = 20^\circ$ , increasing to 14 dB at  $\theta = 70^\circ$ . Figure 3.6 provides a comparison of different frequencies, all at  $\theta = 50^\circ$ . The 8.6 GHz curve is incomplete due to system noise problems at that frequency. For the other frequencies, the change in level of  $\sigma^0$  between the two days increases from about 11 dB at 13 GHz to 13 dB at 35 GHz.

Further comparisons of dry and wet snow conditions are shown in Figure 3.7 for four different frequencies. In each case, the dry snow curve represents an average of the dry snow data acquired on 3/14/79 (see Table 3.1 for standard deviation), and the wet snow curve represents an average of data sets acquired on 3/16/79 for which  $m_v = 10 \pm 2\%$ .

### 3.1.3 Staurolite Snowdrift

Figure 2.5 shows the snowdrift behind the Staurolite Inn. Data at four frequencies and three angles, 40°, 50° and 75°, were taken over a three-day period. Graphs showing temperature variation for the three days appear in Figure 3.8.

The first day, March 13, 1979, had clear weather conditions, with air temperatures below -6° C. The ground was frozen down to 5 cm with completely dry snow on top. The unvarying conditions provided another chance to check the stability of the measurement system. Table 3.2 shows

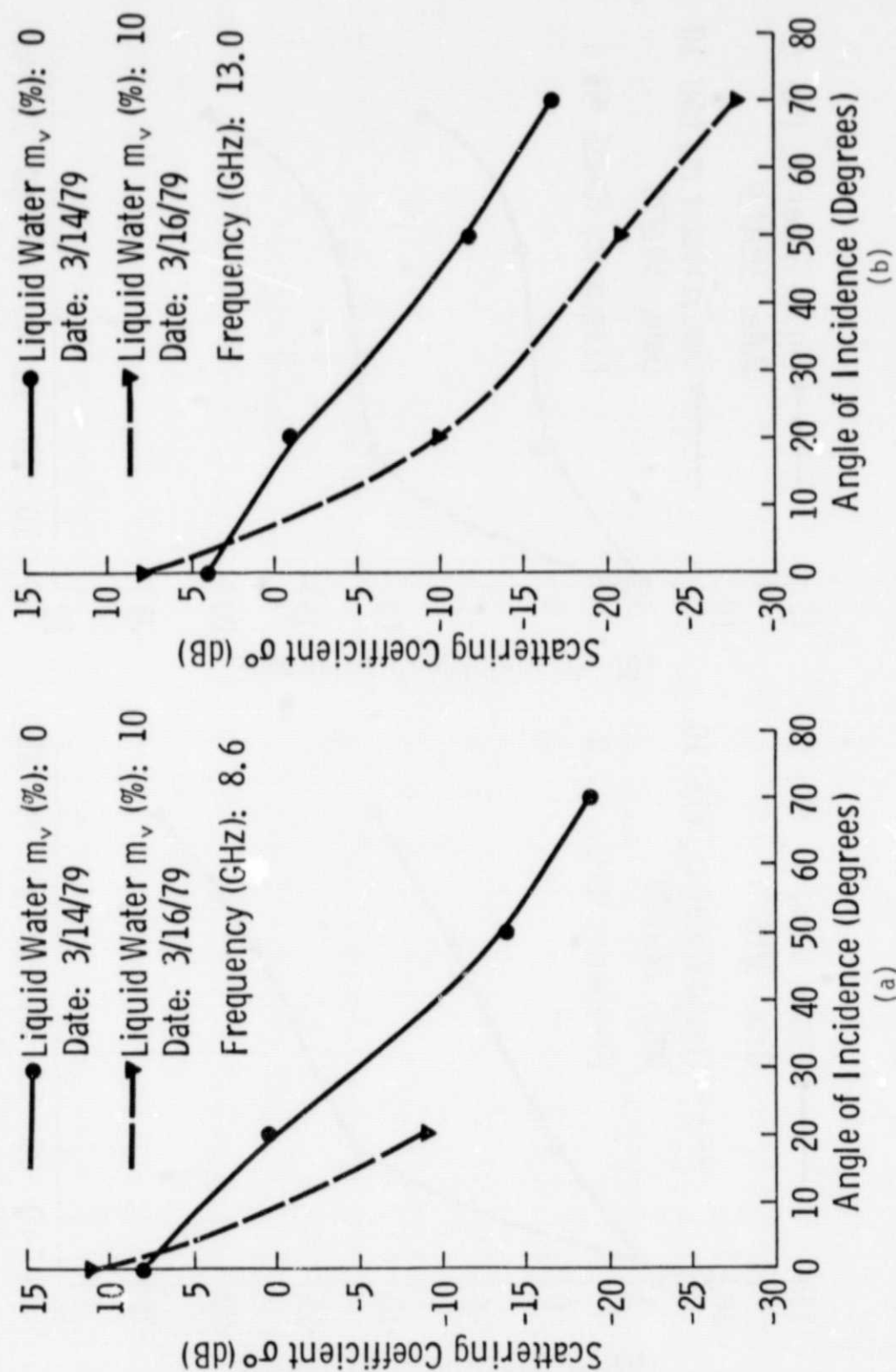
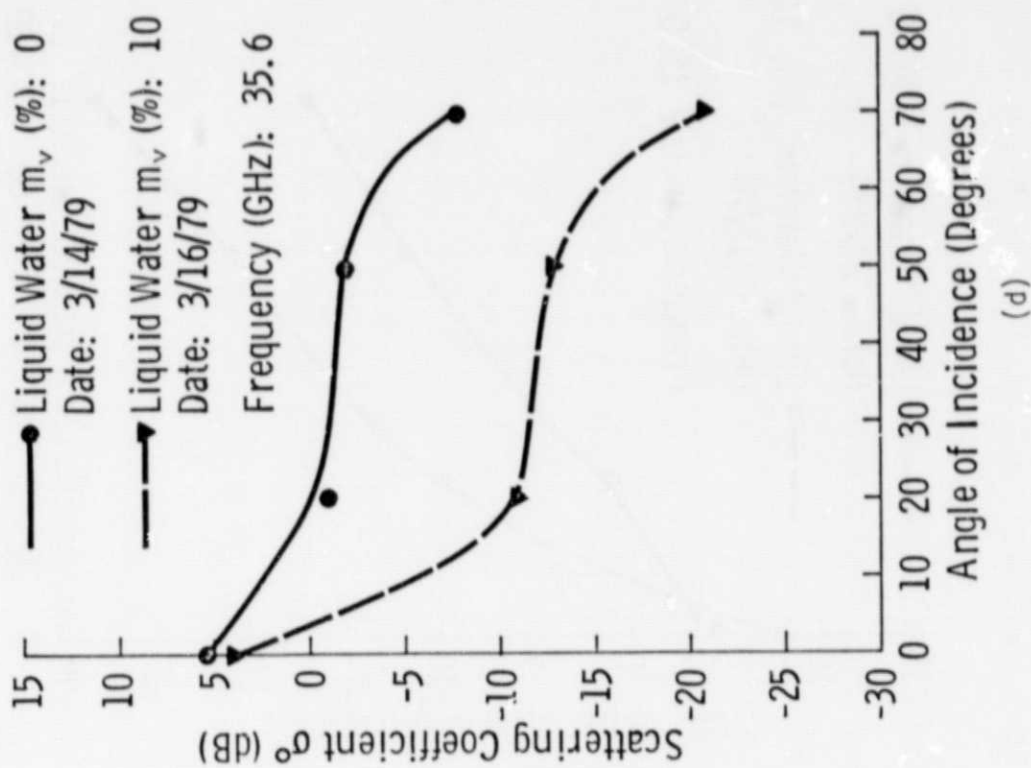
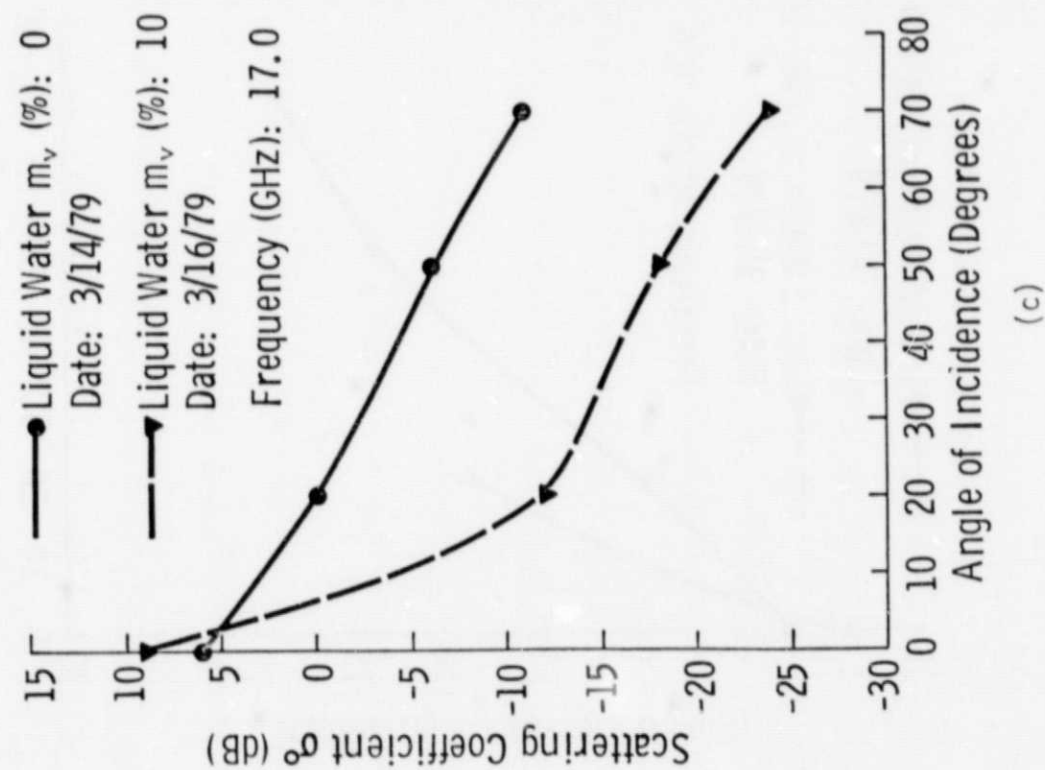


Figure 3.7. Angular response of  $\sigma^0$  to averaged wet and dry snow conditions at (a) 8.6 GHz, (b) 13.0 GHz, (c) 17.0 GHz, and (d) 35.6 GHz.





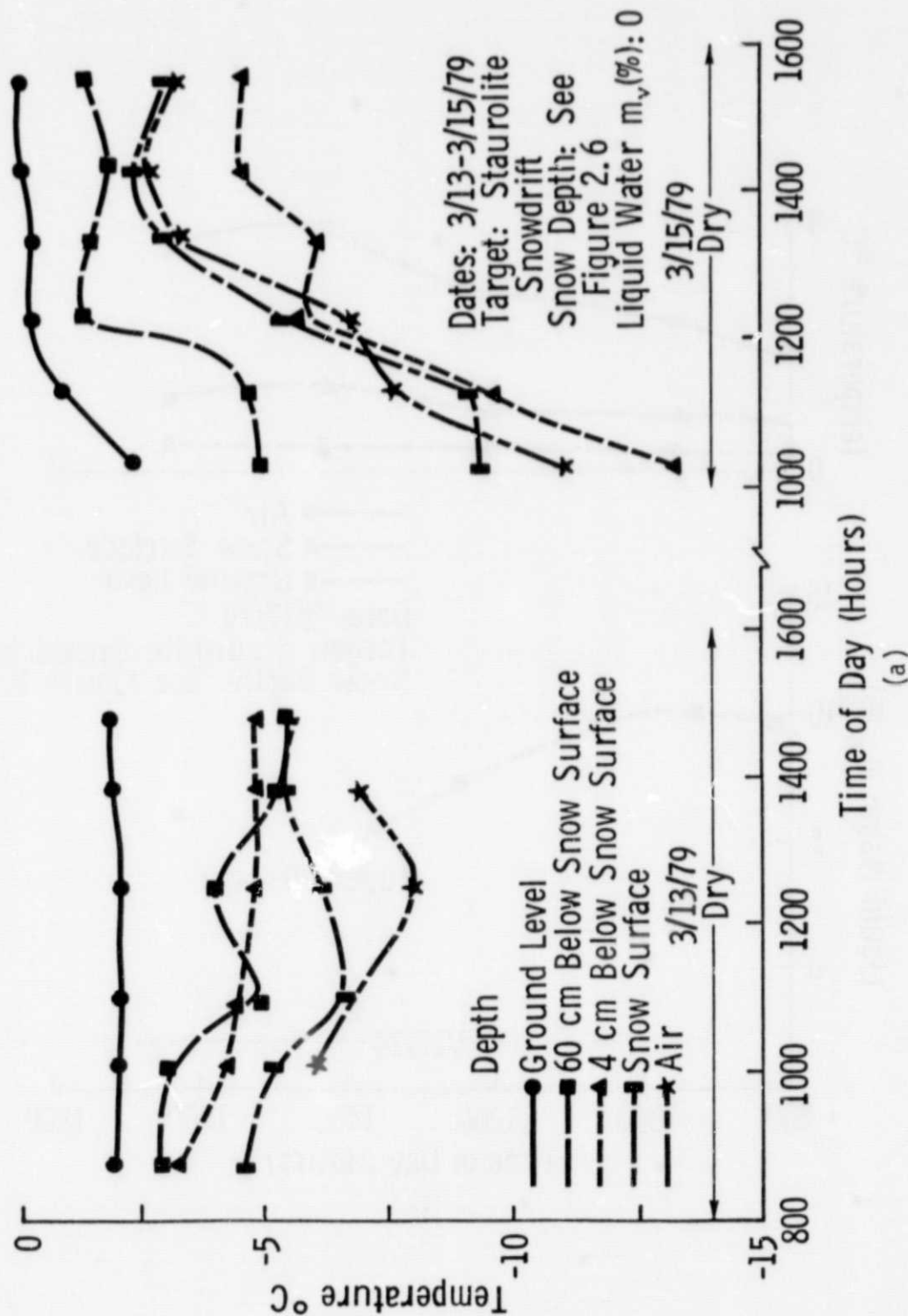


Figure 3.8. Temperature variation over three days at the Staurolite snowdrift: (a) 3/13 - 3/15/79 and (b) 3/17/79 with  $m_v$ .

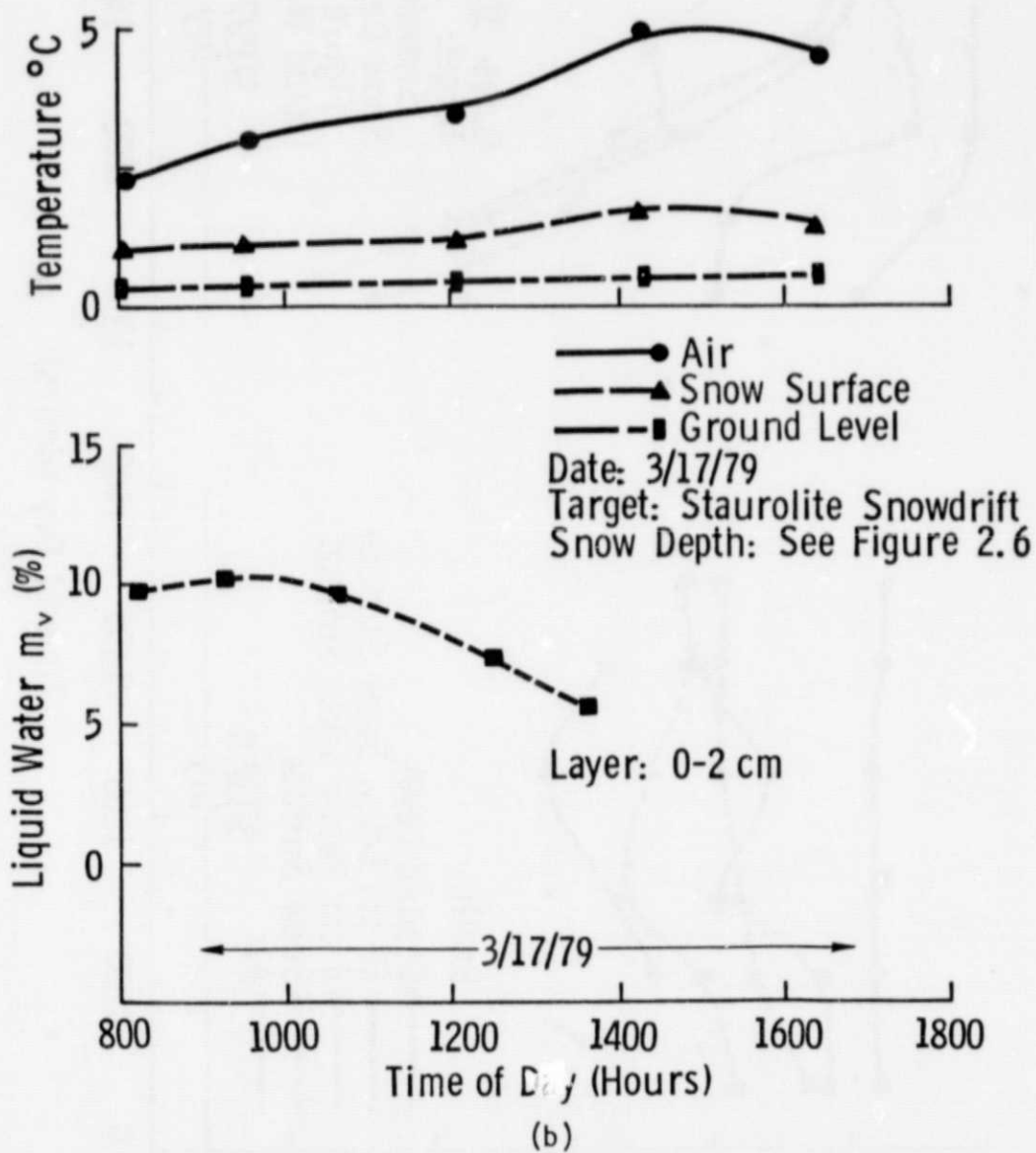


TABLE 3.2  
 COMBINED MAS SYSTEM AND SNOW VARIATION UNDER  
 "CONSTANT" CONDITIONS ON 3/13/79

(Liquid Water Content  $m_v = 0\%$ )

Mean $\sigma^0$ (dB)					
Angle of Incidence (degrees)	Polarization	Frequency (GHz)			
		8.6	13.0	17.0	35.6
40°	HH	-10.43	-10.04	- 9.18	- 7.97
	HV	-14.01	-14.58	-13.53	-11.45
50°	HH	-11.26	-11.01	- 9.62	- 7.26
	HV	-15.65	-16.83	-15.17	-11.67
75°	HH	-19.42	-19.34	-15.23	-13.23
	HV	-26.19	-24.87	-21.47	-17.65

Standard Deviations of $\sigma^0$ (dB)					
Angle of Incidence (degrees)	Polarization	Frequency (GHz)			
		8.6	13.0	17.0	35.6
40°	HH	1.32	1.12	1.4	2.58
	HV	0.8	0.5	0.89	2.49
50°	HH	0.8	1.2	1.27	1.01
	HV	0.87	0.84	0.64	1.15
75°	HH	1.15	0.99	0.96	0.71
	HV	0.77	1.0	0.73	0.97

the mean and standard deviations of the backscattered power. It can be seen that the variation is again less than 1.4 dB for all frequencies except 35.6 GHz. These figures are consistent with the stability measurement of March 14, 1979. The second visit to the same site was on the 15th of March, 1979. The weather was again sunny, clear and cold. Air temperature peaked at  $-2.7^{\circ}$  in the afternoon. Snow liquid water was again zero, but the soil had now thawed. The backscatter data is given in Appendix B.

The last diurnal set from this field was obtained on March 17, 1979. A warm-weather trend had continued since the 16th of March and air temperatures went up to  $5^{\circ}$  C. The weather was generally cloudy, with a light mist and a steady 10-mph wind. The soil was thawed and peak snow liquid water content of more than 10% by volume was measured.

These conditions provided an opportunity to evaluate the  $\sigma^{\circ}$  response to "saturated" snow. For the period from 0800 to 1300, the 0-2 cm snow layer had liquid water contents above 6%. The subsurface layers were also wet;  $m_v$  of the 2-5 cm layer was 10.8% at noon. As will be illustrated in Section 3.4, the response to  $m_v$  tends to saturate for values of  $m_v$  greater than 5%. If the standard deviation and mean value of  $\sigma^{\circ}$  are calculated for this day (Table 3.3) it is observed that the mean values behave as expected (lower than the dry snow  $\sigma^{\circ}$  mean values) and the standard deviation values are on the same order ( $\approx 1$  dB) as for dry snow conditions.

The results of the above variation analyses indicate that under weather conditions that ensure either dry or wet snow conditions, "constant" values of  $\sigma^{\circ}$  can be expected. During the "in between" weather conditions, the  $\sigma^{\circ}$  response may be quite variable due to differing rates

TABLE 3.3

COMBINED MAS SYSTEM AND SNOW VARIATION UNDER  
"CONSTANT" WET SNOW CONDITIONS ON 3/17/79

(Liquid Water Content  $m_v = 6$  to 10%)

Mean $\sigma^0$ (dB)					
Angle of Incidence (degrees)	Polarization	Frequency (GHz)			
		8.6	13.0	17.0	35.6
40°	HH	-15.64	-19.46	-18.48	-16.60
	HV	-23.08	-23.08	-24.71	-27.39
50°	HH	-18.38	-22.15	-21.09	-18.35
	HV	-24.88	-26.42	-26.51	-28.2

Standard Deviations of $\sigma^0$ (dB)					
Angle of Incidence (degrees)	Polarization	Frequency (GHz)			
		8.6	13.0	17.0	35.6
40°	HH	0.91	0.90	0.97	0.8
	HV	0.77	0.76	0.91	1.22
50°	HH	0.87	0.86	0.76	0.94
	HV	0.88	0.79	0.56	0.77



### 3.2 Roughness Response

The effects of surface roughness on the microwave backscatter and emission from snow were examined in a previous report (Stiles and Ulaby, 1980b). It was observed that surface roughness exercises a minor effect on  $\sigma^0$  for dry snow (Figure 3.9), but when the snow surface layer is wet, the effects of surface roughness become significant. A description of the surface geometry is given in Section 3.2.2. In this section, a theoretical model for the backscatter from snow is applied to the 1977 data acquired in the 8-18 GHz region to evaluate the effects of surface roughness on  $\sigma^0$ . Following this evaluation, the experimental data measured in 1979 for the artificially-roughed snow surfaces are presented.

#### 3.2.1 Backscatter Model

In the following approach, the snow is modeled by spherical scatterers and radiative transfer methods are applied (England, 1975; Leader, 1975; Tsang and Kong, 1978). The air-snow boundary is assumed to be a Gaussian random surface which satisfies physical optics and is describable by Kirchhoff surface scatter theory (Fung and Eom, 1980).

For the microwave bands up to Ku-band and for reasonably sized snow crystals, the snow layer can be formulated as an inhomogeneous layer with Rayleigh scatterers, an irregular air-snow interface and a smooth snow-ground interface. Snow-ground roughness effects may be added; however, these effects are believed to be secondary to the ones which were included. The geometry is shown in Figure 3.10. Within the inhomogeneous layer the upward and downward intensity matrix,  $I^+$  and  $I^-$ , are assumed to satisfy the radiative transfer equation,

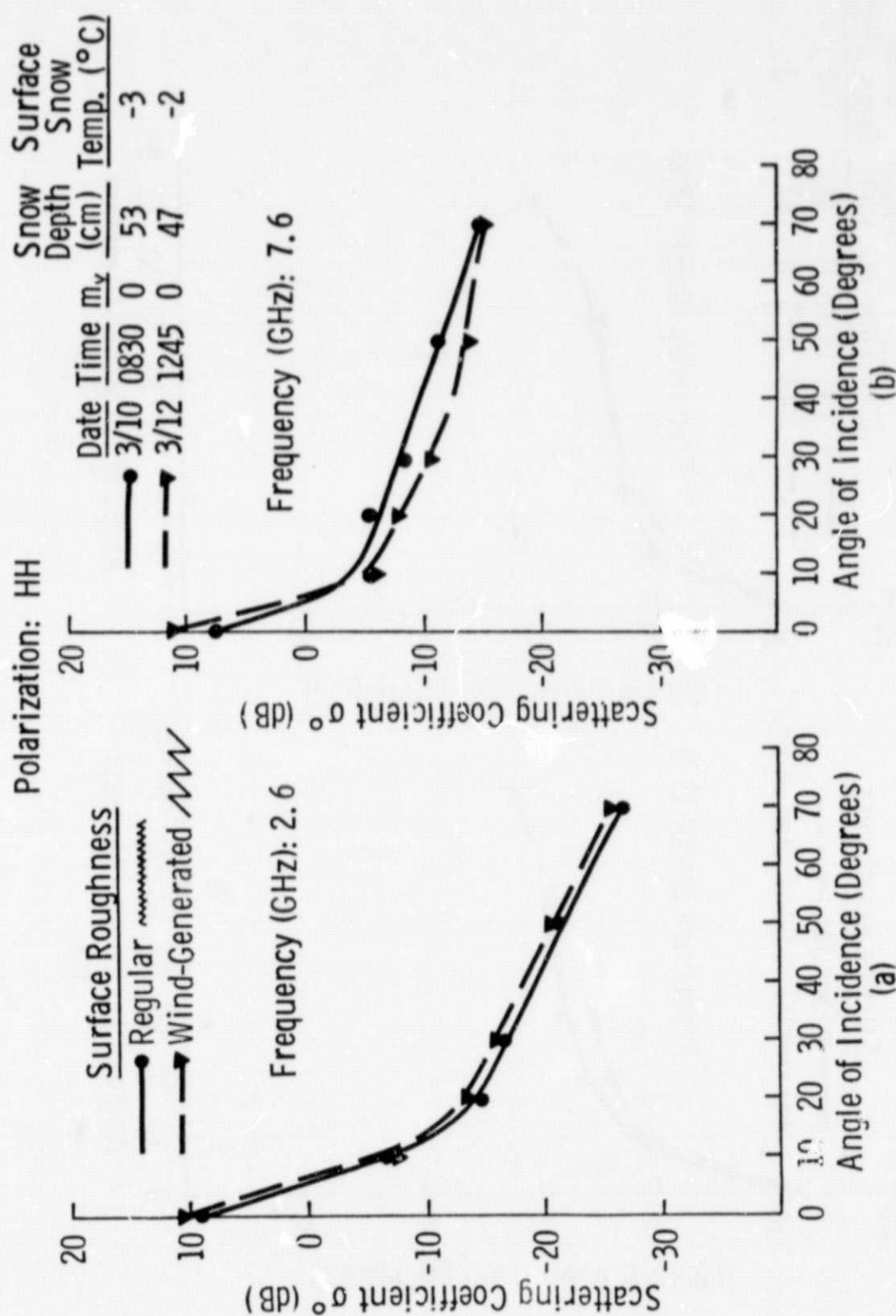
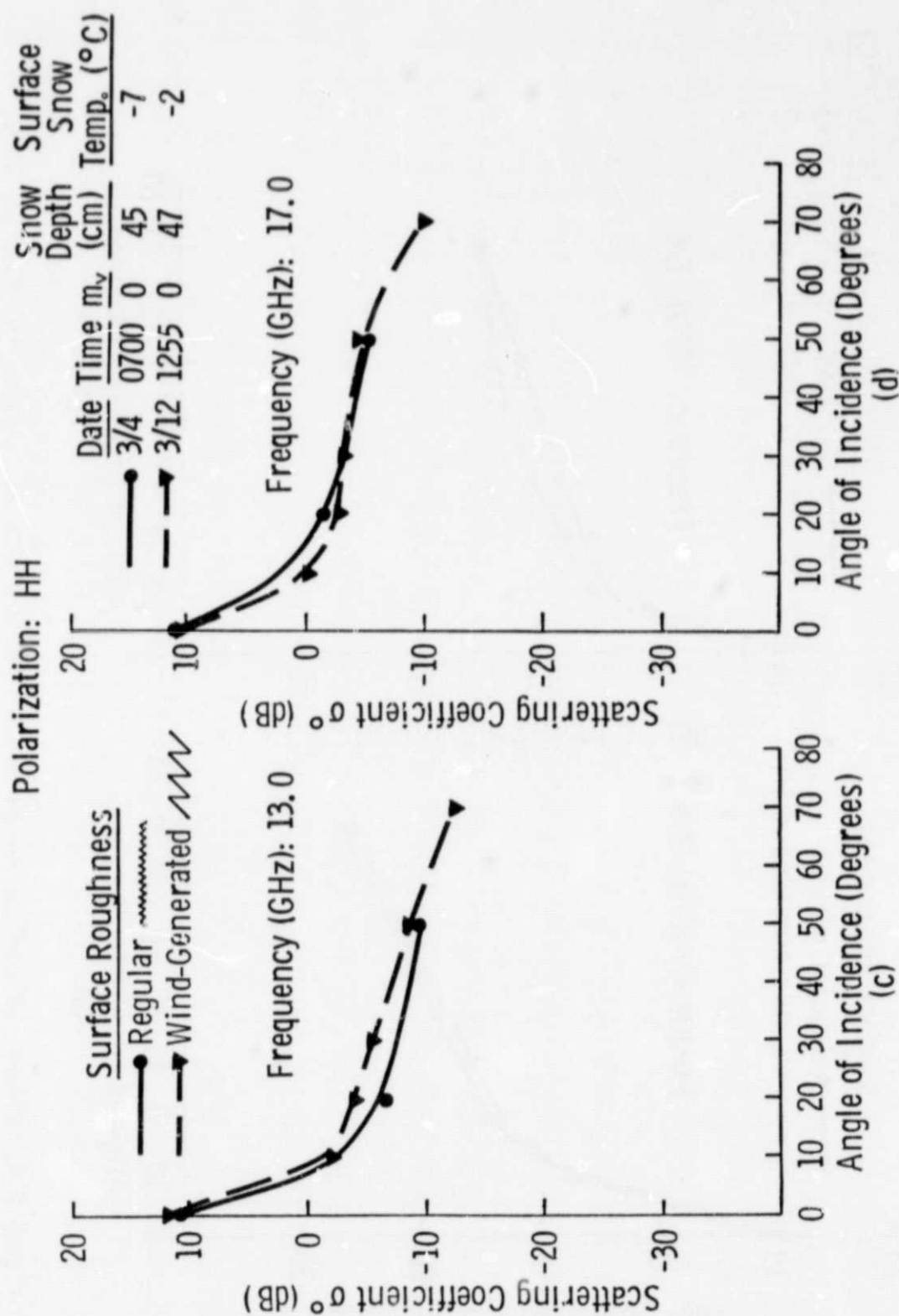
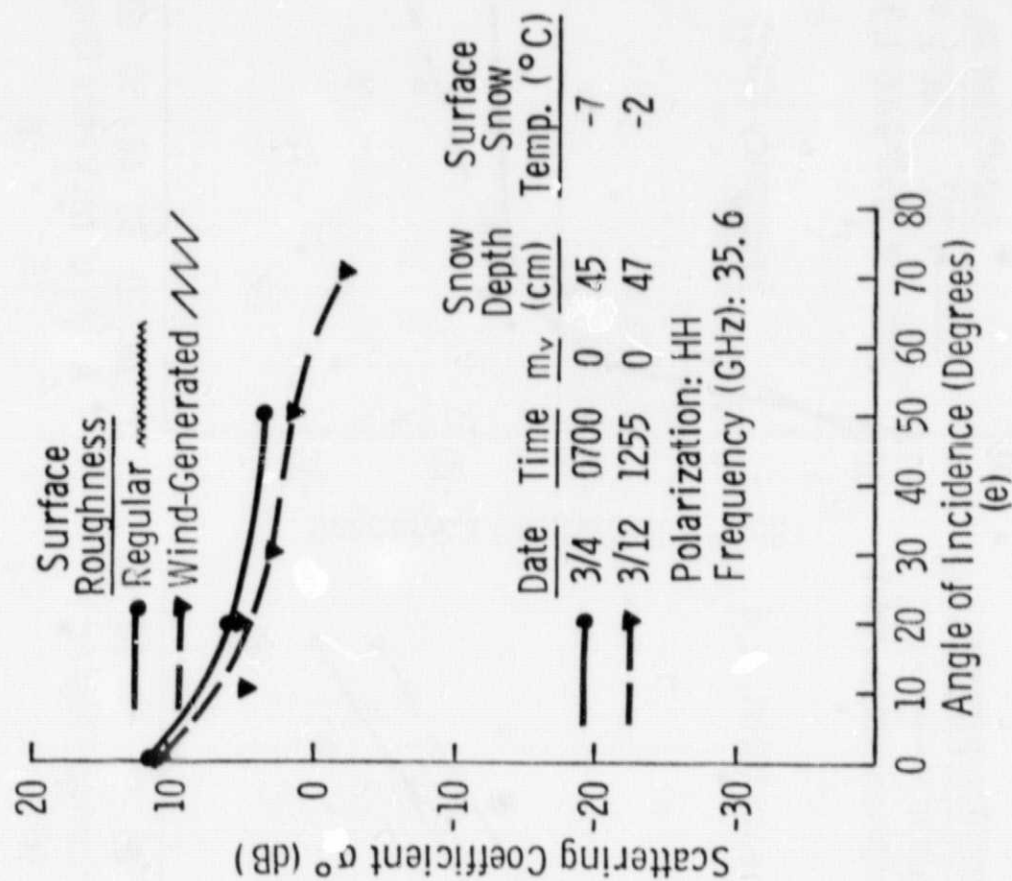
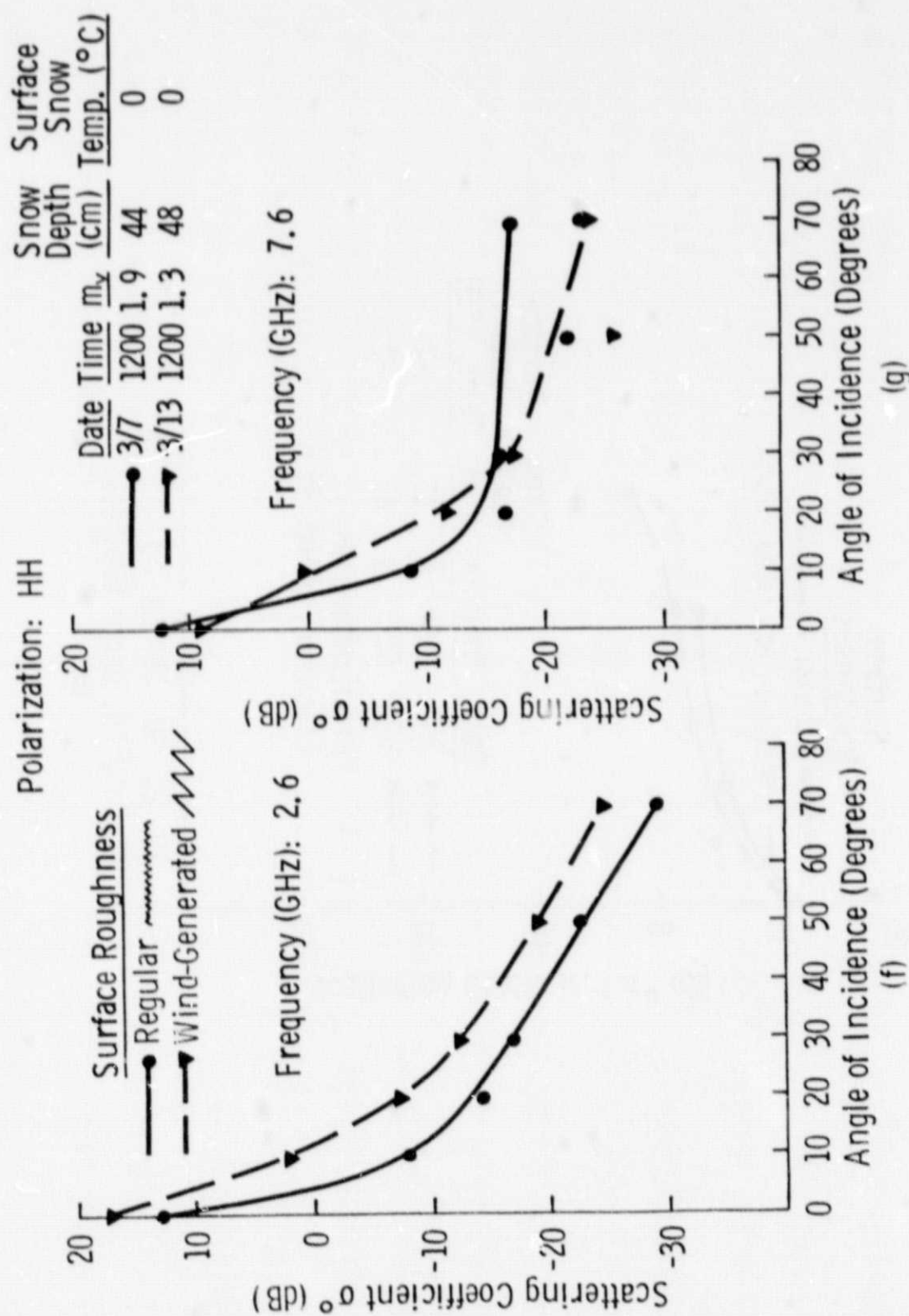


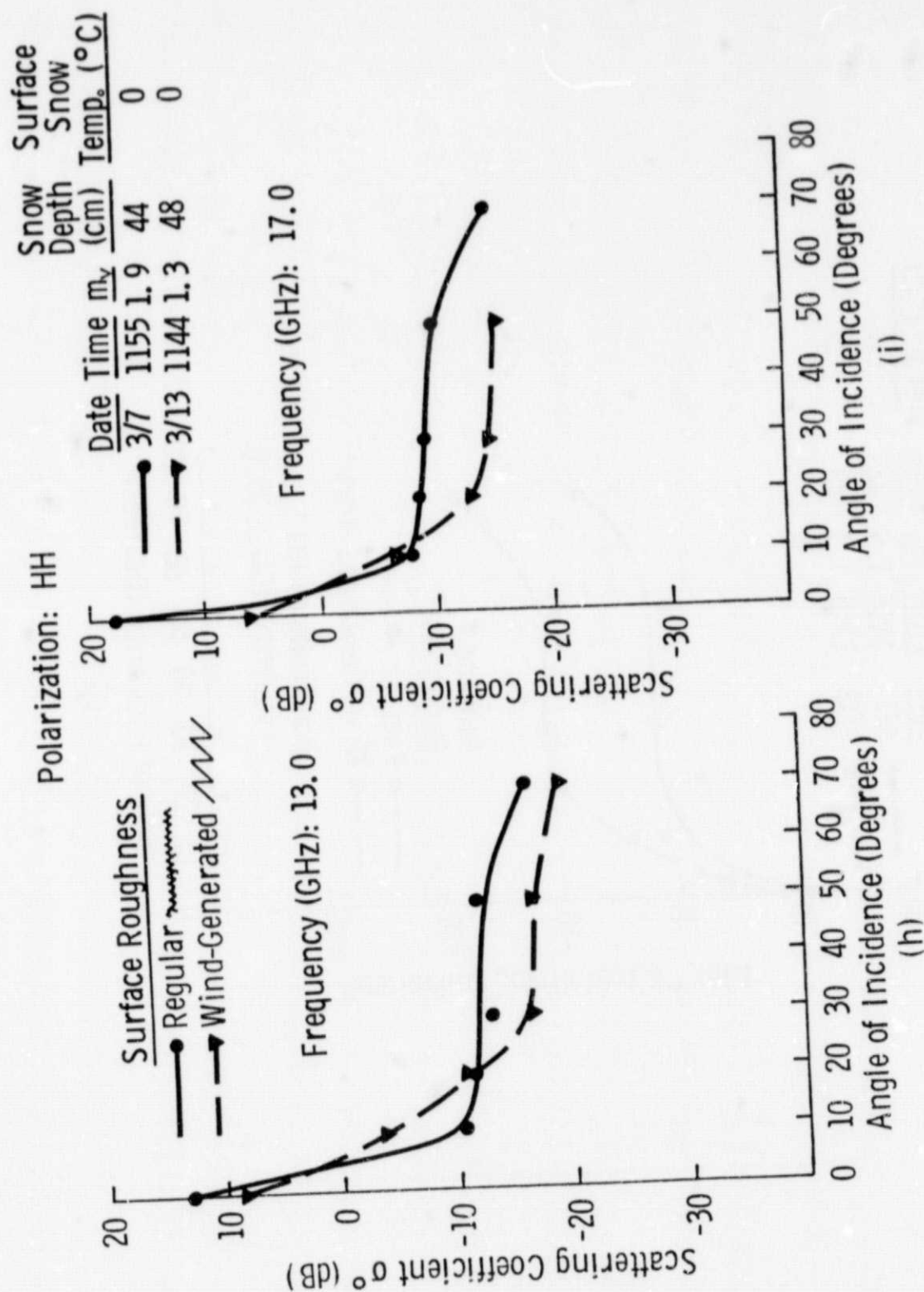
Figure 3.9. Effects of surface roughness on  $\sigma^\circ$  of dry snow at (a) 2.6, (b) 7.6, (c) 13.0, (d) 17.0, and (e) 35.6 GHz and wet snow at (f) 2.6, (g) 7.6, (h) 13.0, (i) 17.0, and (j) 35.6 GHz.



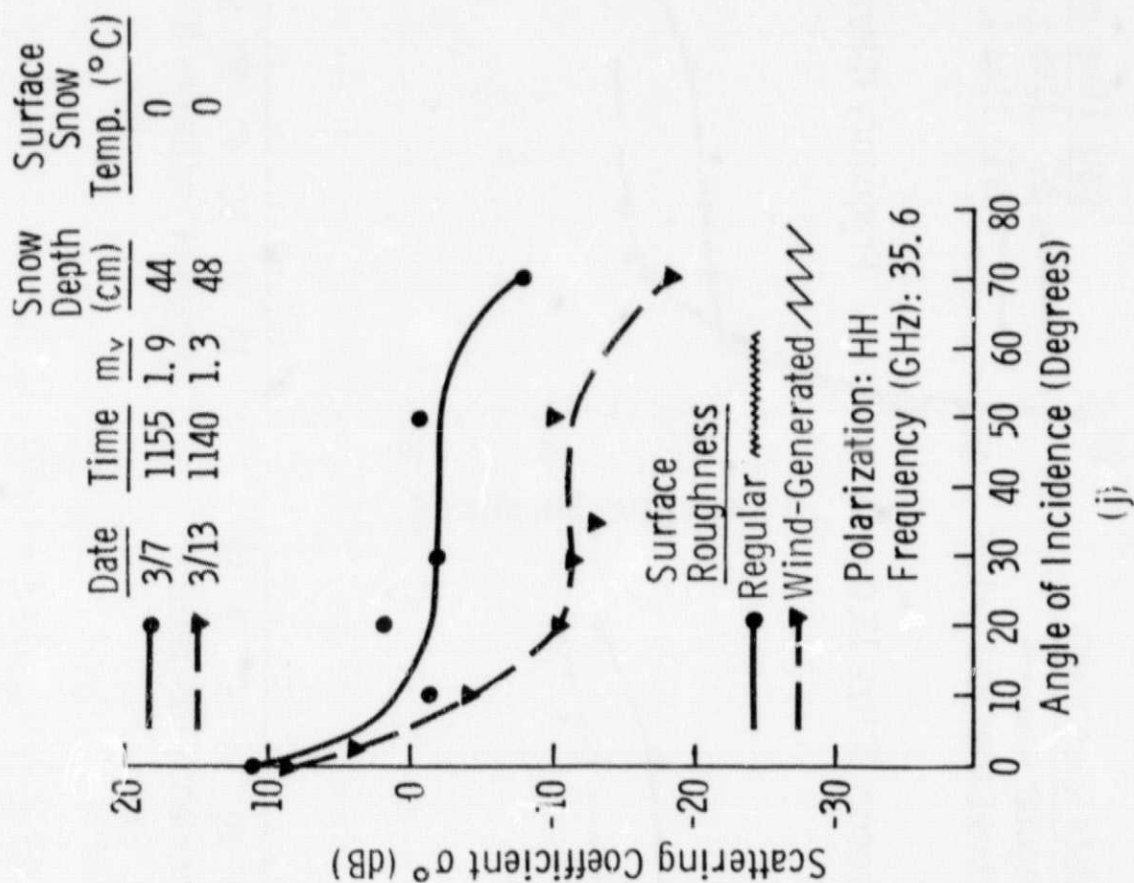












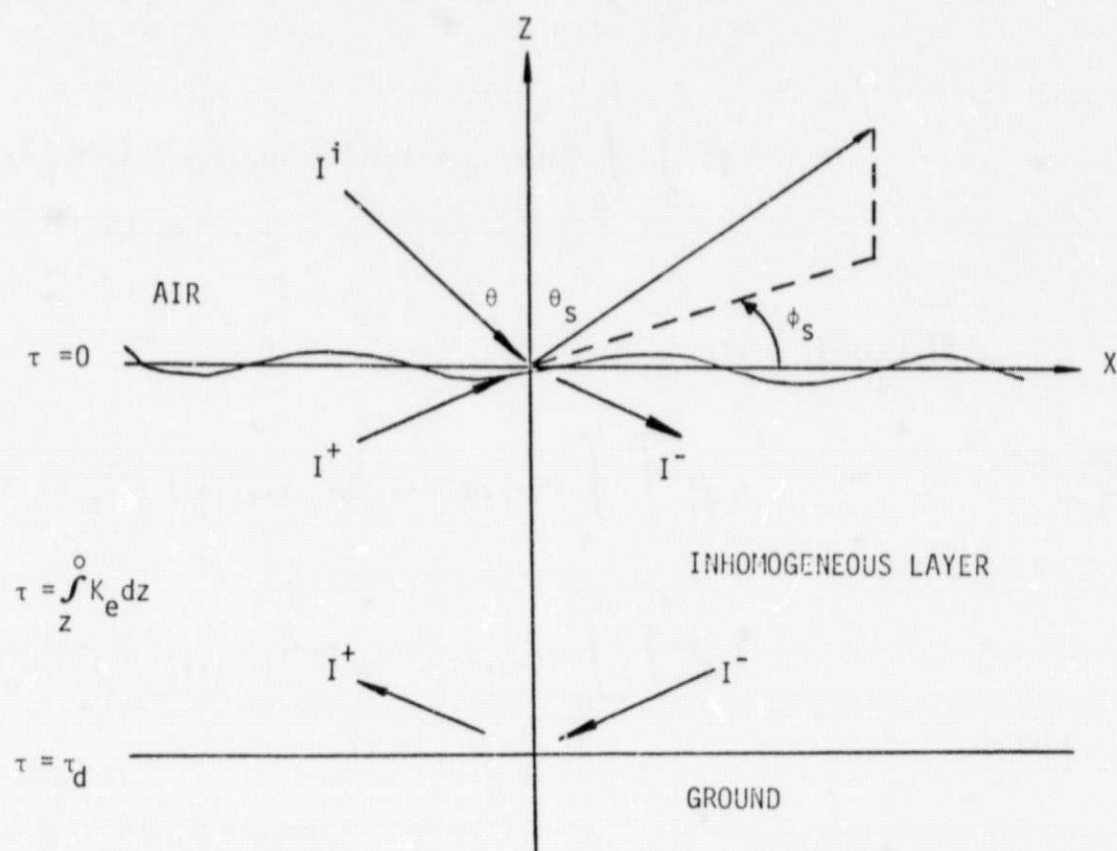


Figure 3.10 Geometry of the scatter problem.

$$\begin{aligned}
\mu \frac{dI^+(\tau, \mu, \phi)}{d\tau} = & I^+(\tau, \mu, \phi) \\
& - \frac{\omega}{4\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^1 P(\mu, \mu_0, \phi - \phi_0) [I^+(\tau, \mu_0, \phi_0) + I_S^+] d\mu_0 d\phi_0 \\
& - \frac{\omega}{4\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^1 P(\mu, -\mu_0, \phi - \phi_0) [I^-(\tau, \mu_0, \phi_0) + I_S^-] d\mu_0 d\phi_0
\end{aligned}
\tag{3.1}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
-\mu \frac{dI^-(\tau, \mu, \phi)}{d\tau} = & I^-(\tau, \mu, \phi) \\
& - \frac{\omega}{4\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^1 P(-\mu, \mu_0, \phi - \phi_0) [I^+(\tau, \mu_0, \phi_0) + I_S^+] d\mu_0 d\phi_0 \\
& - \frac{\omega}{4\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^1 P(-\mu, -\mu_0, \phi - \phi_0) [I^-(\tau, \mu_0, \phi_0) + I_S^-] d\mu_0 d\phi_0
\end{aligned}
\tag{3.2}$$

where  $\mu = \cos\theta$ ;  $I^+$ ,  $I^-$  are column matrices containing the first three Stokes parameters;  $I_S^+$ ,  $I_S^-$  are the direct intensities;  $P(\mu, \mu_0, \phi - \phi_0)$  is the Rayleigh phase matrix;  $\omega$  is the albedo of the scattering layer and  $\tau$  is the optical depth.

The upward intensity due to an incident intensity,  $I^i$ , which appears in the direct intensity expression, is found by solving (3.1) and (3.2) subject to the following boundary conditions. At  $\tau = \tau_0$  the condition is

$$I^+ = R_g I^-$$

where  $R_g$  is the ground reflectivity matrix. At the top boundary  $\tau = 0$ , the condition is

$$I^-(\mu, \phi) = \frac{1}{4\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^1 S_R(\mu, \mu_0, \phi - \phi_0) I^+(\mu_0, \phi_0) d\mu_0 d\phi_0 \quad (3.3)$$

where the surface scatter function is the same as for an emission case.

Once  $I^+(0, \mu, \phi)$  is found inside the layer, the upward intensity transmitted from the layer into air can be found from the relation,

$$I^+(\mu, \phi) = \frac{1}{4\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^1 S_T(\mu, \mu_0, \phi - \phi_0) I^+(0, \mu_0, \phi_0) d\mu_0 d\phi_0 \quad (3.4)$$

where  $S_T$  is the transmitted bistatic scattering coefficient as for an emission case.

The forward and backward intensities are functions of the azimuth angle. In addition, some correlation between spatially orthogonal field components exists which requires the inclusion of the third Stokes parameter. Thus, the approach selected to solve (3.1) and (3.2) is to expand both the components of the intensity matrices and the components of the volume and surface scatter matrices in Fourier series with respect to the azimuth angle. Each Fourier component is then treated independently. Since the assumed Rayleigh phase matrix consists of only three Fourier components, there is no need to consider more components in any of the intensity matrices or surface scattering matrices.

Theoretical results showing the dependence on the snow parameters are given in Figures 3.11 to 3.13. Variation of the surface height

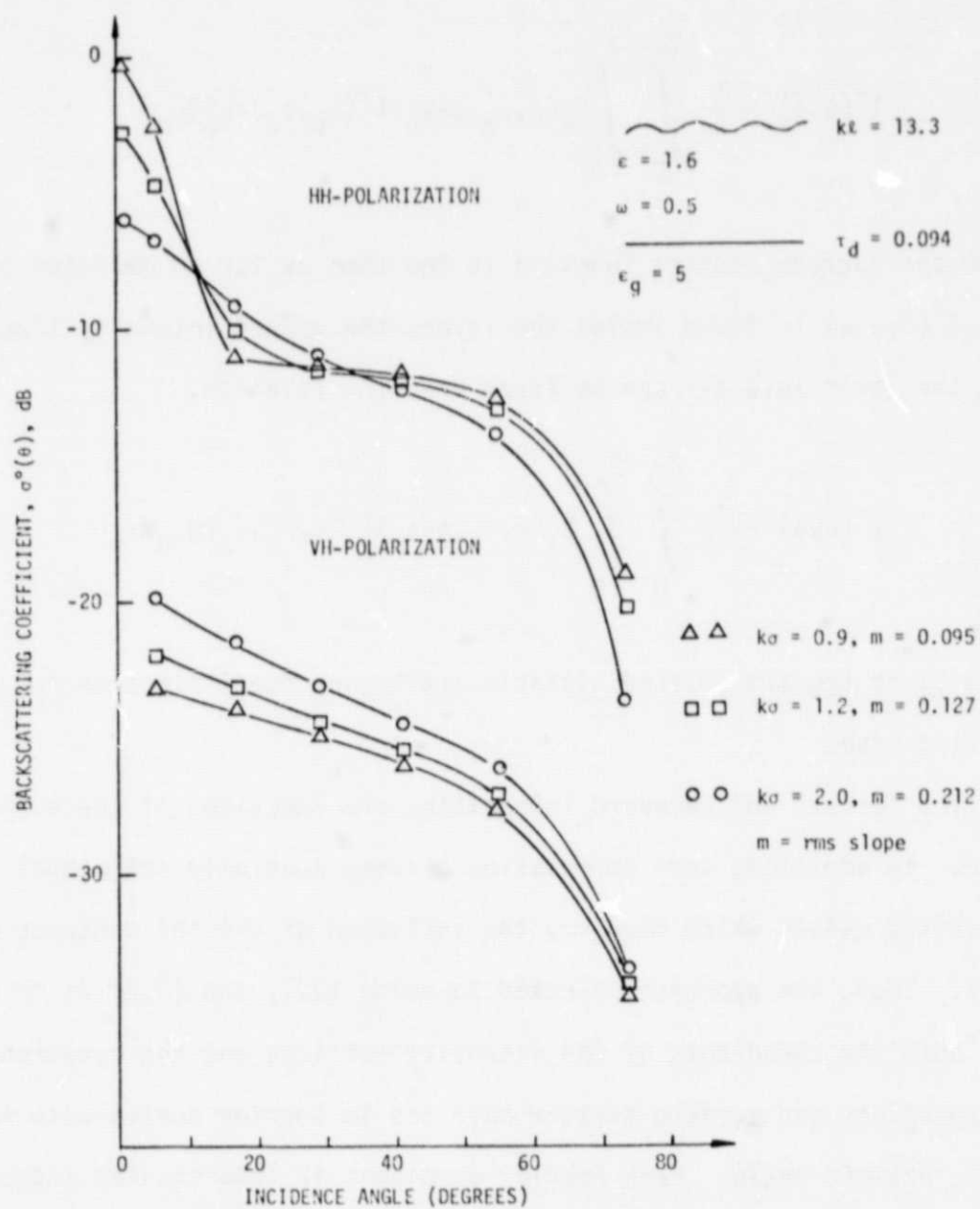


Figure 3.11 Effects of change in surface standard deviation.

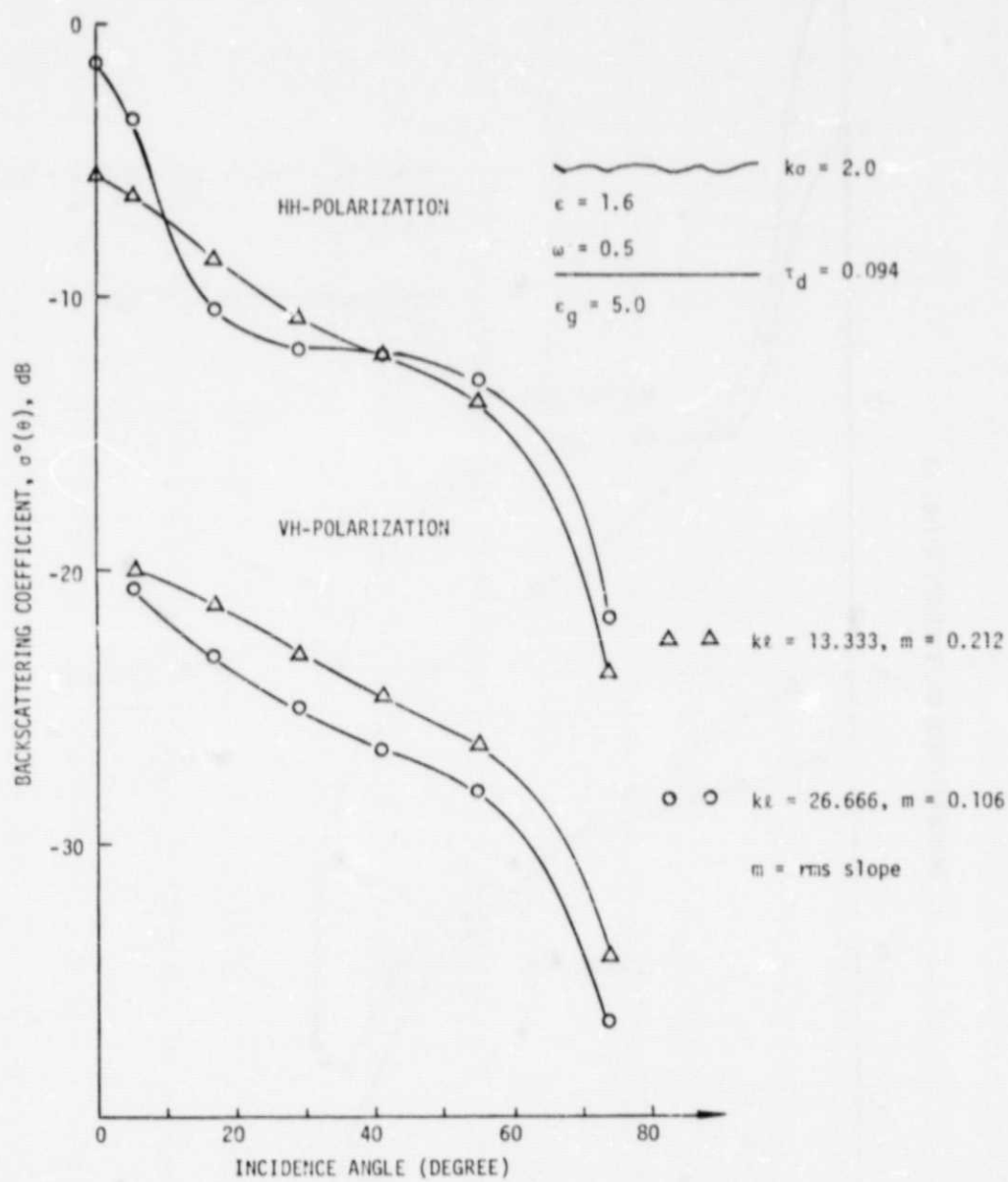


Figure 3.12 Effects of change in surface correlation.



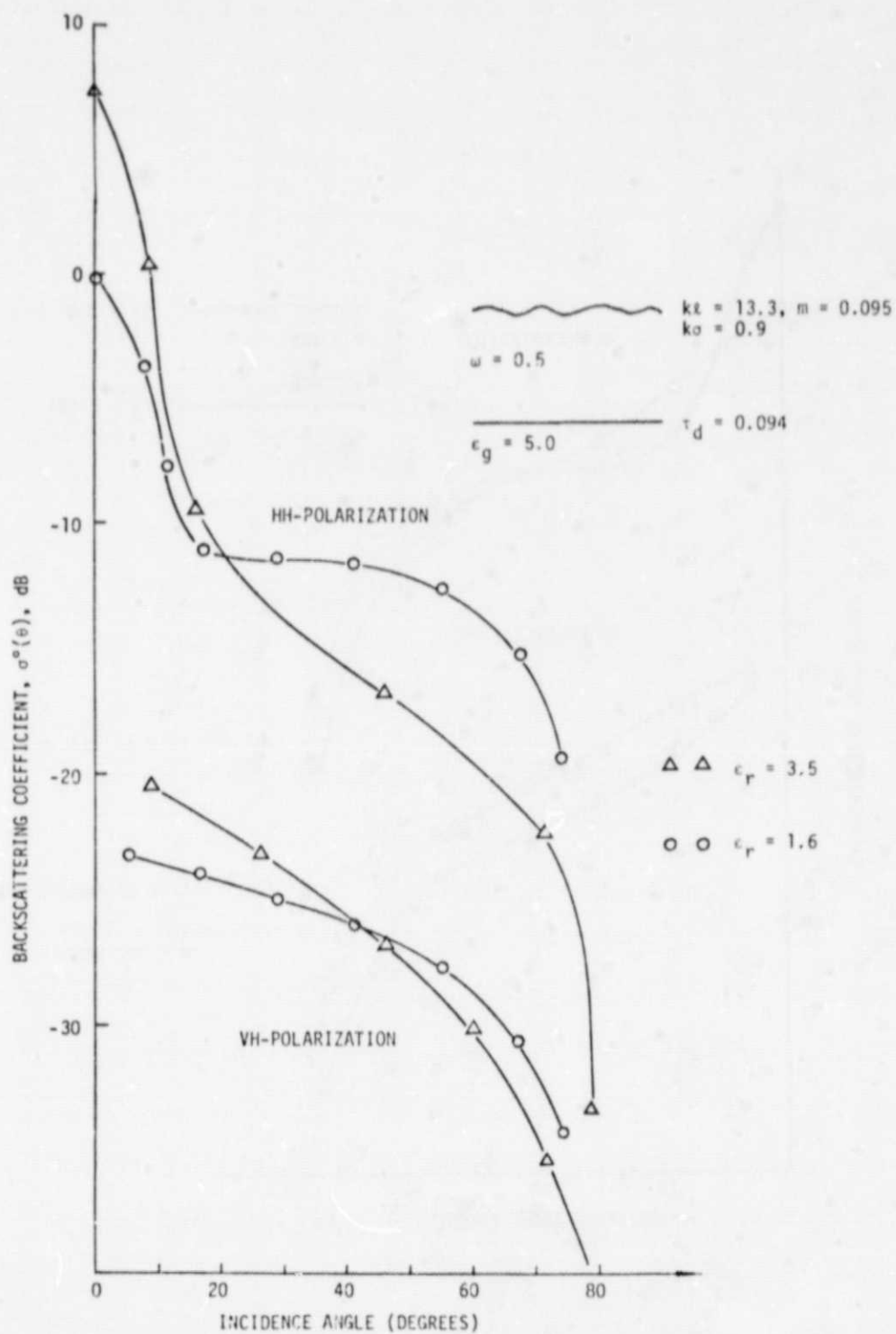


Figure 3.13 Effects of change in layer permittivity.

standard deviation for dry snow (Figure 3.11) has a large effect near nadir but causes only a slight decrease in the volume scatter effect at the large incidence angles. The cross polarized behavior is also dependent on the surface. Surface correlation length effects are illustrated in Figure 3.12. As the length decreases, the surface appears rougher but again in the  $30^\circ$  to  $60^\circ$  angle of incidence range, the sensitivity is minor.

The effect of a change in the average permittivity of the Rayleigh layer corresponding to an increase in liquid water is shown in Figure 3.13. As a result of the larger disparity in dielectric constant ( $\epsilon_r = 3.5$  for the wet snow case) at the air-snow boundary, now the surface contribution is much larger in relation to the volume scatter contribution. The steeper angular roll-off indicative of surface scatter is apparent from the curves.

### 3.2.2 Comparison with Measurements

The microwave measurements for comparison with the model were obtained in 1977 (Figure 3.9). Similar system descriptions and experimental procedures as described in Section 2.0 apply to the 1977  $\sigma^0$  data. A change in surface geometry was caused by strong southerly winds on 3/11/77 allowing investigation of surface effects on similar snowpack characteristics. Prior to this date, the surface was characterized by high spatial frequency variations with small amplitudes (about 1/4 cm) and no preferred orientation, while the "wind-generated" surface is characterized by large, smooth facets connected by ridges. A surface profile is approximately a saw-tooth pattern with a spatial frequency of 30 cm and an

amplitude of 2 cm. The microwave observations were made with the sensor "looking" in the direction of downwind.

Figures 3.14 to 3.19 present the results of the model as applied to the wet and dry snow conditions for the two surface geometry cases. The small amplitude roughness is termed the "regular" case in the figures, while the other roughness is the "wind-generated." The selection of surface parameters follows approximately the physical dimensions of the roughness scale. Thus, the standard deviation of the regular surface is taken to be around 0.2 cm while that of the wind-generated around 0.8 cm. The estimate of the dry snow permittivity follows the measurement of Cummings (1952). For all the cases shown, general agreement in level and trend is observed. The disagreement in the case of dry snow at normal incidence is probably due to rough ground contribution which is yet to be included in modeling. The surface parameters chosen at different frequencies to realize a good fit are self-consistent; however, it was found that different values were needed for describing a consistent fit for passive data (Fung, et al., 1980). It is therefore concluded that both active and passive measurements are needed to resolve this discrepancy in the effects of surface roughness.

### 3.2.3 Brookings Roughness Experiment

An experiment to measure the  $\sigma^0$  response to extreme levels of snow surface roughness was conducted on March 19, 1979. The snow on this day was very wet due to rainfall during the previous night. The snow depth varied between 70 cm and 100 cm, the soil was thawed and saturated, and the air temperature was about 2° C. Following observations of the undisturbed

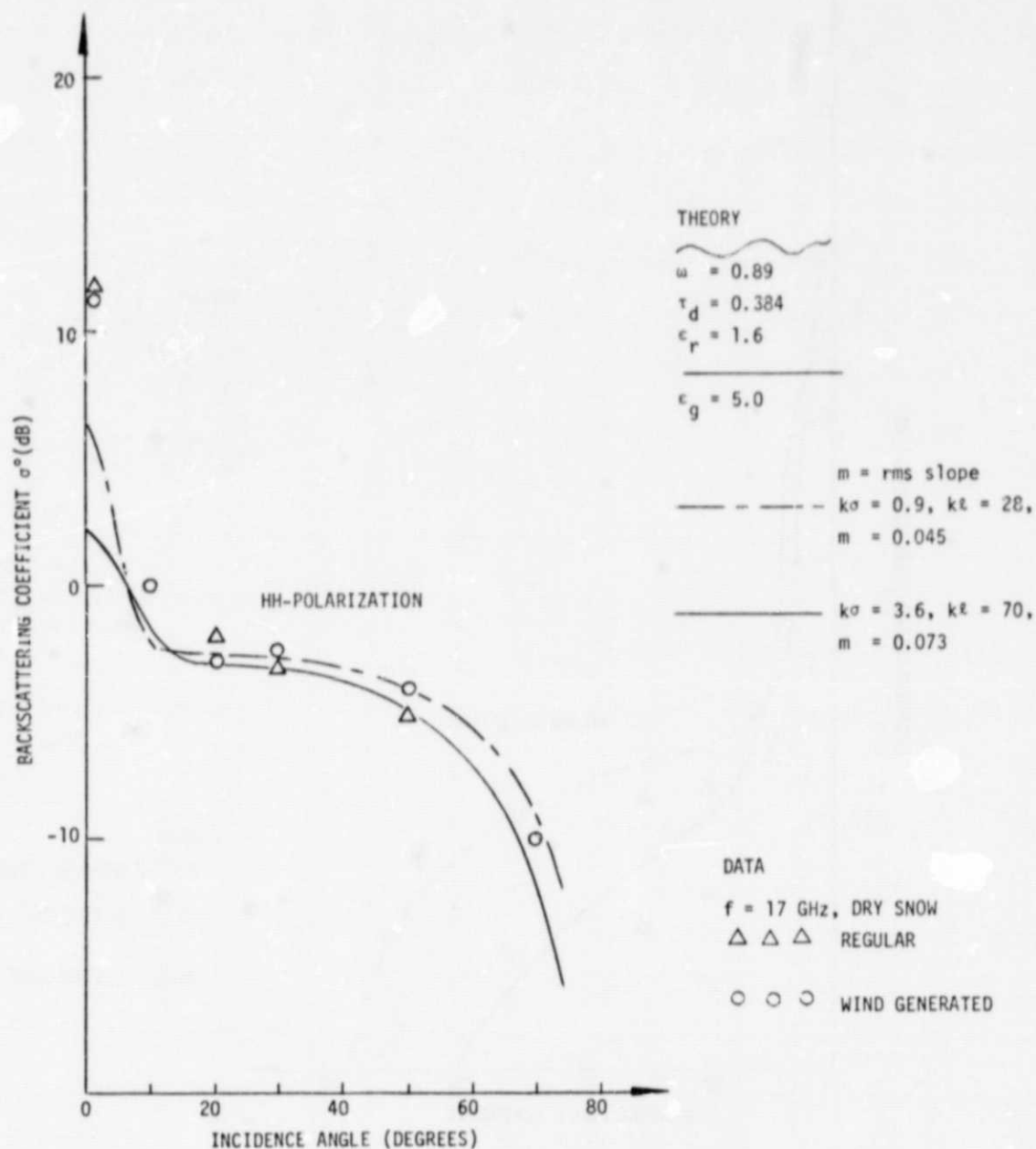


Figure 3.14 Comparison between theory and measurements at 17 GHz for dry snow;

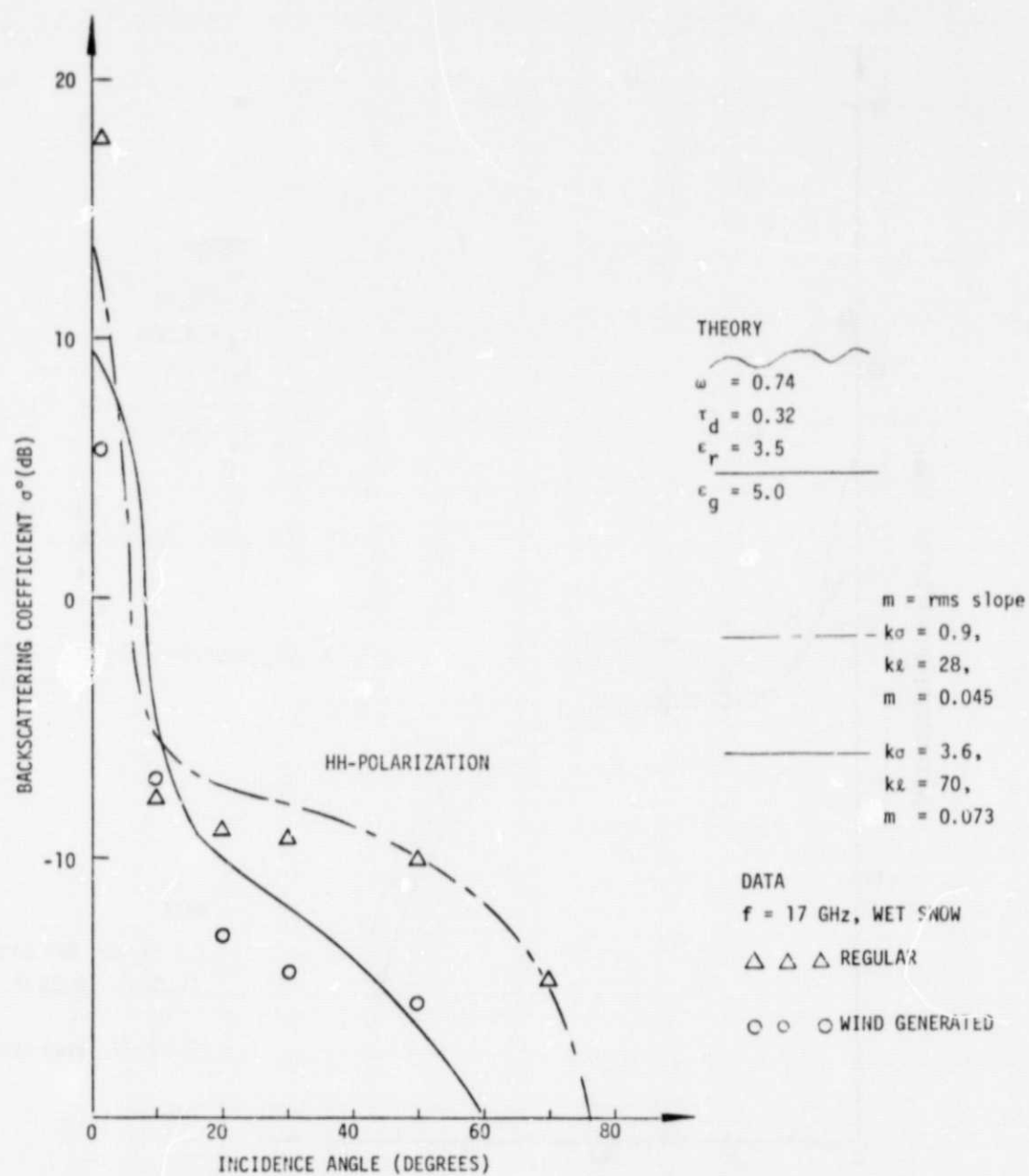


Figure 3.15 Comparison between theory and measurements at 17 GHz for wet snow.

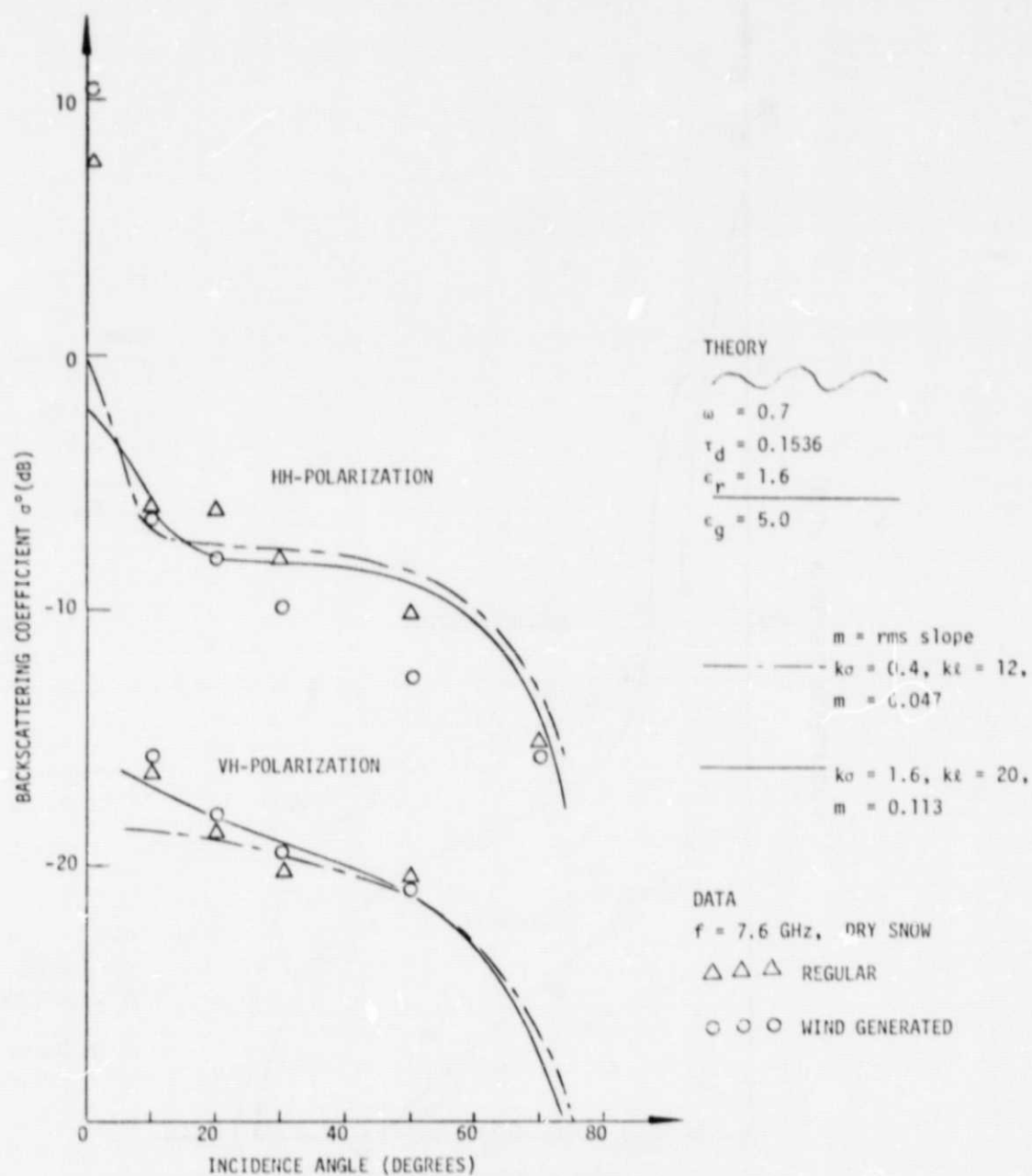


Figure 3.16 Comparison between theory and measurements at 7.6 GHz for dry snow.



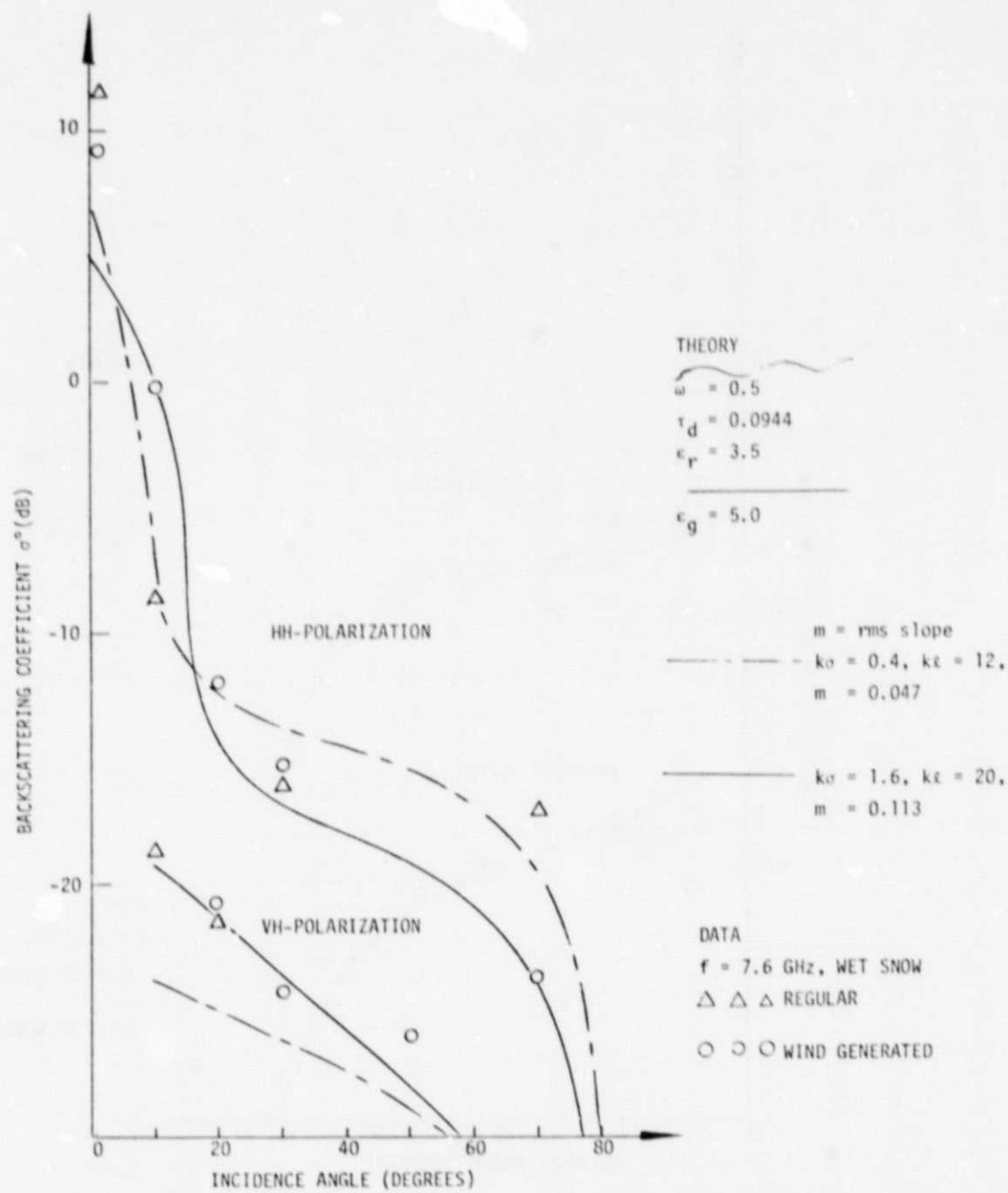


Figure 3.17 Comparison between theory and measurements at 7.6 GHz for wet snow.

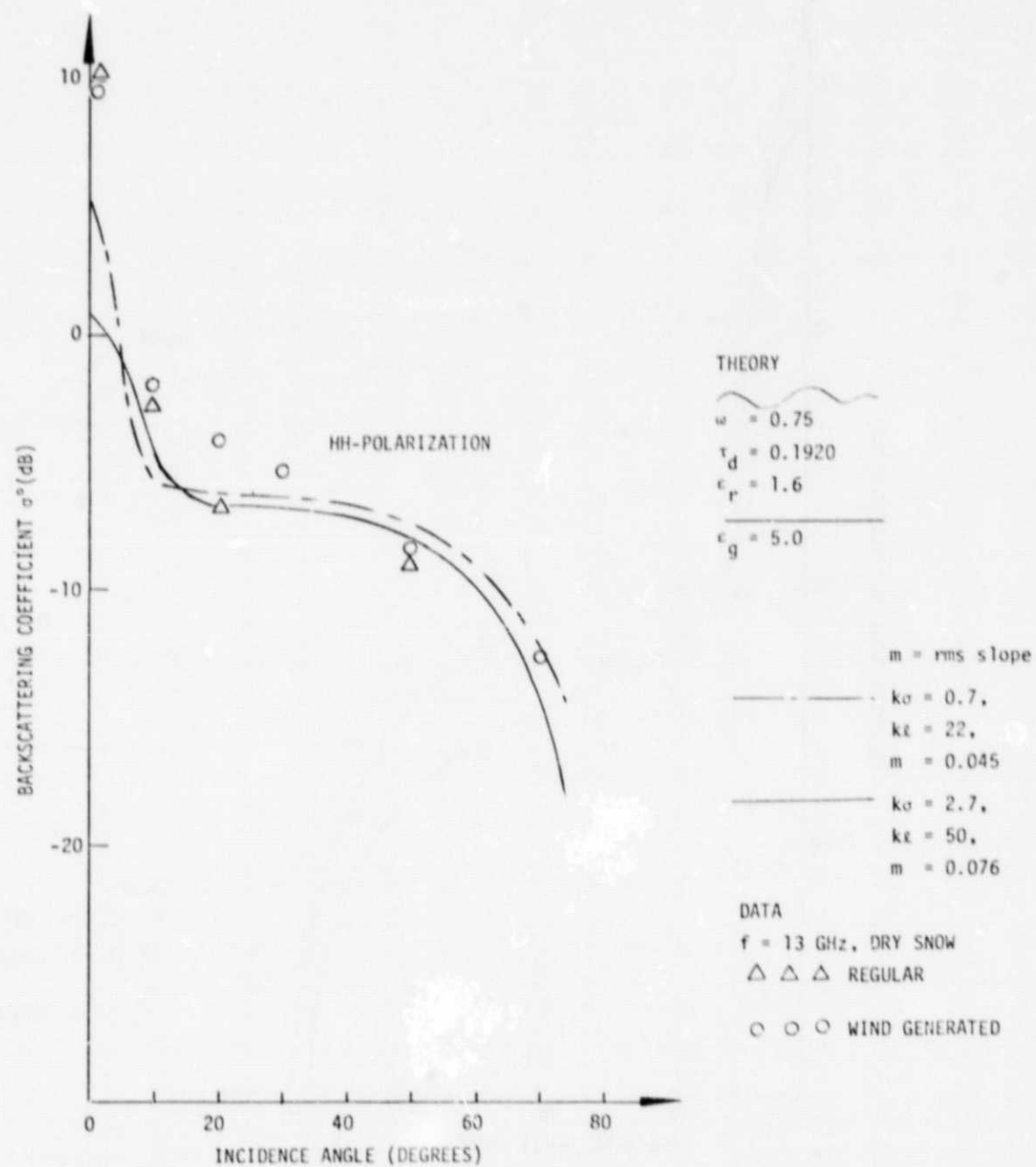


Figure 3.18 Comparison between theory and measurements at 13 GHz for dry snow.

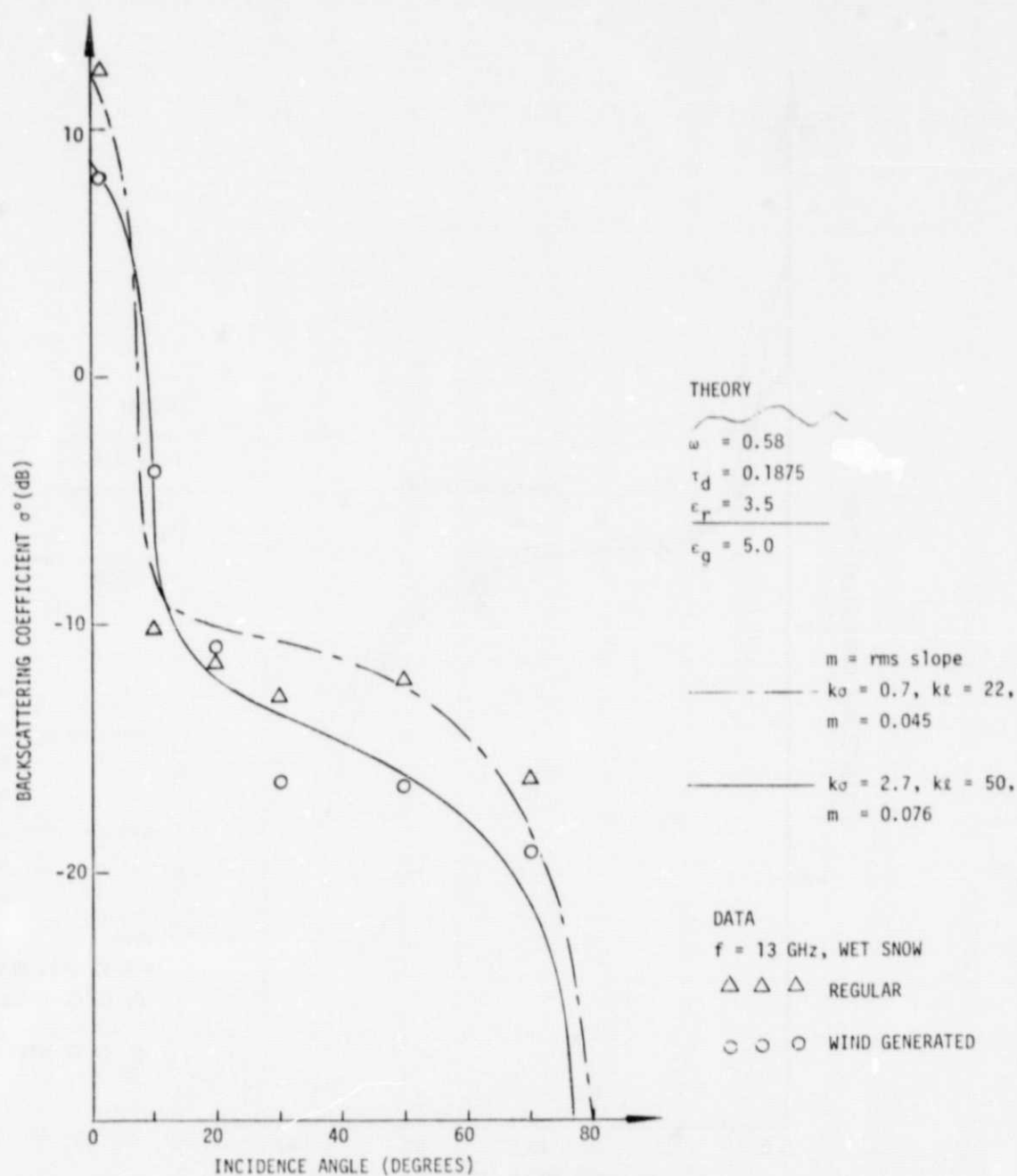


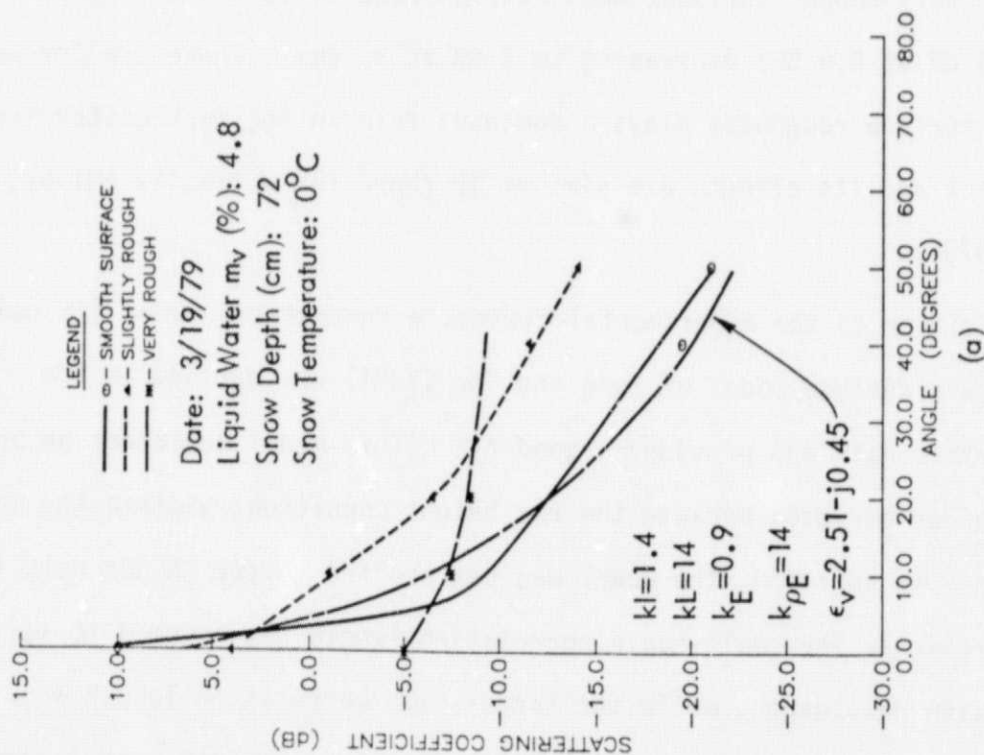
Figure 3.19 Comparison between theory and measurements at 13 GHz for wet snow.

smooth snow during the early part of the day, an additional data set was acquired for each of two artificially-generated surface roughness conditions. Photographs showing the snow surface against a metal plate are given in Figure 2.9.

Figure 3.20 shows the measured angular variation of  $\sigma^0$  for each of the three different surface roughness conditions. At all frequencies (Figures 3.20a - 3.20d),  $\sigma^0$  decreases rapidly with angle from nadir for the smooth (undisturbed) surface, particularly close to nadir. Considering that the snow was fairly wet throughout the snowpack, the backscatter at frequencies above 8 GHz is essentially dominated by surface scatter, with probably negligible contributions by the snow volume. As surface roughness is increased,  $\sigma^0$  assumes a weaker angular variation, as expected for surface scatter. For the smooth surface, the  $0^\circ$  to  $50^\circ$  dynamic range of  $\sigma^0$  decreased from 30 dB at 8.6 GHz to 22 dB at 35 GHz. In contrast,  $\sigma^0$  of the "very rough" surface, when extrapolated to  $50^\circ$ , had a dynamic range of 6 dB at 8.6 GHz decreasing to 2 dB at 35 GHz. Therefore for wet snow, the surface roughness plays a dominant role in the backscatter from the snowpack and its effects are similar to those for wet soils (Ulaby, et al., 1978b).

In addition to the experimental curves, a theoretical model fit using the two-scale surface model of Fung and Eom (1981) was applied to the smooth surface data and provides a good fit. This model could not be applied to the rougher surfaces because the rms height conditions violate the model assumptions; in addition, the model was not applied to the 35 GHz data for the same reason. The small-scale correlation length was assumed to vary directly with wavelength, while the large-scale correlation length was selected for the best fit. The quantity  $k_{\rho E}$ , the equivalent correlation length for the surface, is based on the combined two-scale correlation lengths.

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POLARIZATION: HH



FREQUENCY: 13.0 GHz  
POLARIZATION: HH

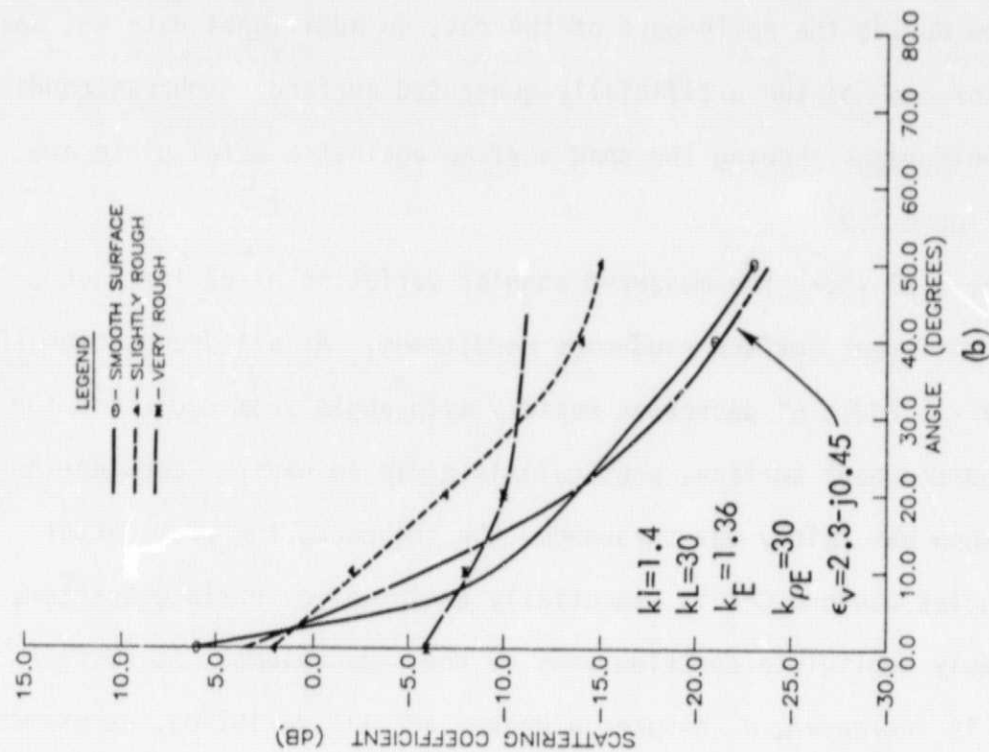
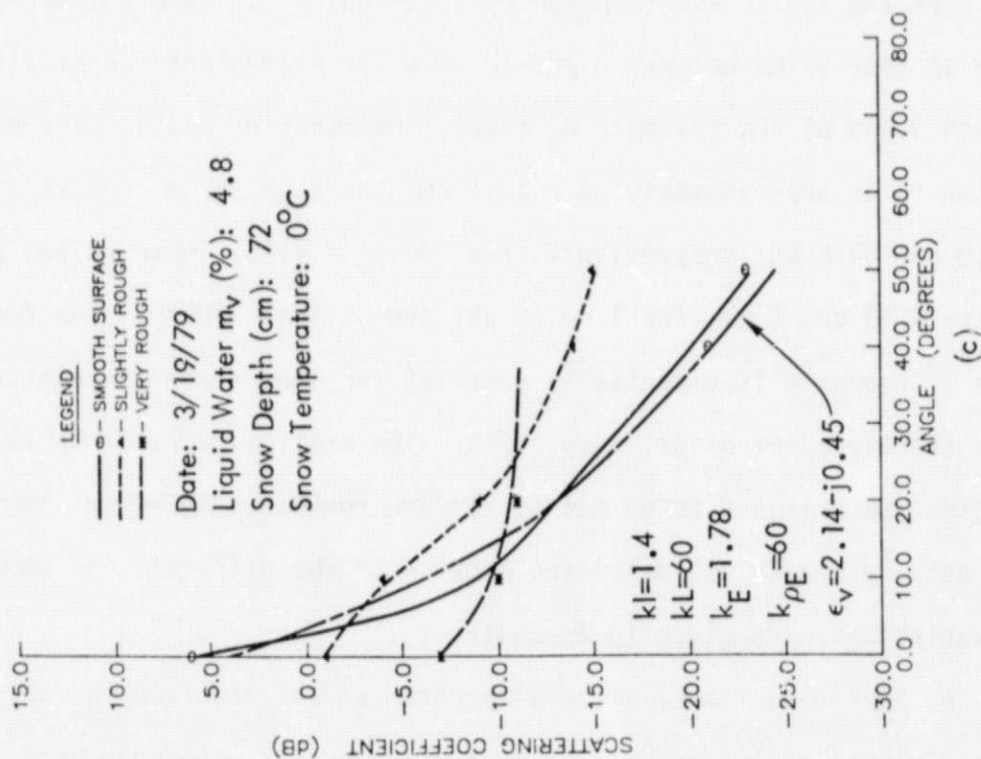
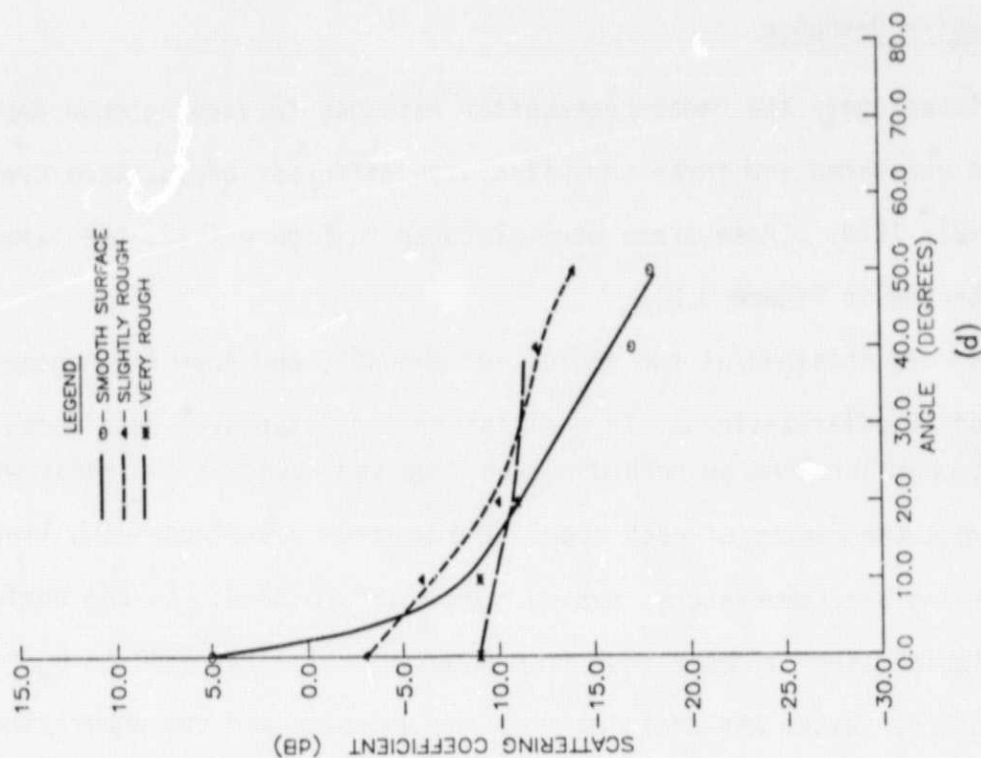


Figure 3.20. The effect of varying artificially induced surface roughness on wet snow at (a) 8.6 GHz, (b) 13.0 GHz, (c) 17.0 GHz, and (d) 35.6 GHz and theoretical model fits for the smooth surface data using a two-scale roughness model [Fung and Eom, 1981] with the listed parameters.

FREQUENCY: 17.0 GHz  
POLARIZATION: HH



FREQUENCY: 35.6 GHz  
POLARIZATION: HH





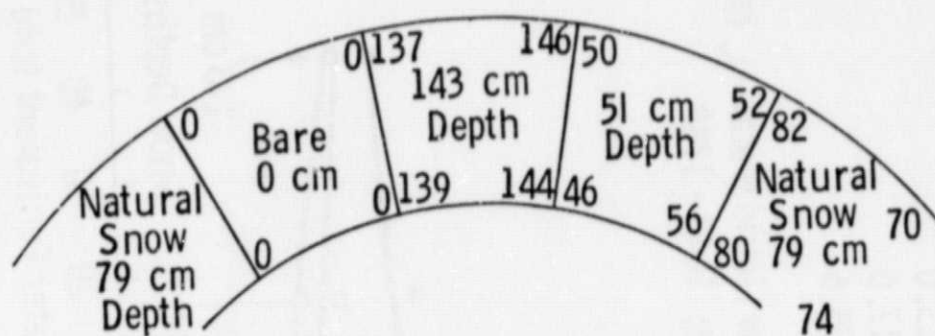
### 3.3 Snowpile Response

To investigate the radar backscatter response to varying snow depths, a pit was excavated and three snowpiles with different depths were created on March 21, 1979. These areas were pictured in Figure 2.10; the layout is illustrated in Figure 3.21.

Data were obtained at two angles,  $0^\circ$  and  $40^\circ$ , and four frequencies for HH and HV polarizations. In addition to the "standard" data sets, scan sets were obtained by recording the received power as the radar was moved across the center of each area. The weather was cloudy with light snow fall and air temperatures varied from  $-0.5^\circ$  to  $3^\circ$  C. In the surface layer, liquid water values ranged from about  $m_v = 1.3\%$  at 0800 to  $m_v = 7.2\%$  at 1645 hours. Water was draining from the snowpack and the underlying short-grass was wet at the start and saturated by the end of the day.

Figure 3.22 illustrates the  $\sigma^0$  variation versus depth for two levels of  $m_v$ : 2.2% and 7.2%. The response of  $\sigma^0$  to water equivalent appears to saturate at some value between 0 and 10 cm water equivalent, or at a depth of between 0 and 51 cm, for both  $m_v$  cases. Penetration depths have been calculated to be approximately 28 cm, 11 cm, and 2 cm for  $m_v = 2.2\%$  at 8.6, 17.0 and 35.6 GHz respectively, and for  $m_v = 7.2\%$ , these values are respectively 13 cm, 4 cm, and 1 cm (Ulaby and Stiles, 1980b). The fact that the  $\sigma^0$  response is essentially constant for snow depths greater than 51 cm is therefore not at all surprising. The small  $\sigma^0$  variations in this region are believed to be due to surface roughness effects. The  $0^\circ$  (nadir) data, although not discussed because of the difficulty of removing fading variations, are given in Appendix B.

In the 1977 experiment, a snowpile data set was acquired for dry snow at  $57^\circ$  angle of incidence. Several measurements were made as a func-



Snow Depths at Corners of Areas in Centimeters  
(a)

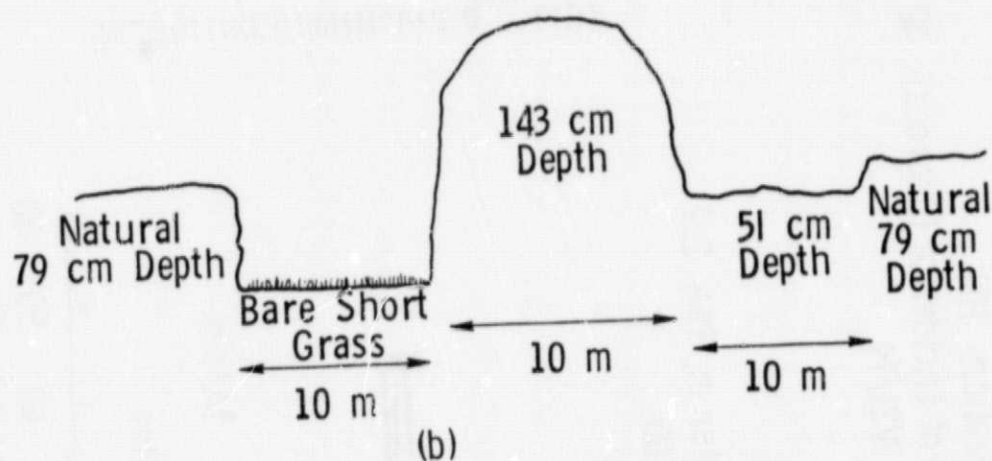


Figure 3.21. Layout of the Stauroлите snow-drift snowpiles  
(a) depths on overhead view and (b) profile view.

Polarization: HH  
 Angle of Incidence (Degrees): 40  
 Date: 3/21/79

Frequency (GHz):  
 — 8.6  
 — 13.0  
 - - - 17.0  
 ••••• 35.6

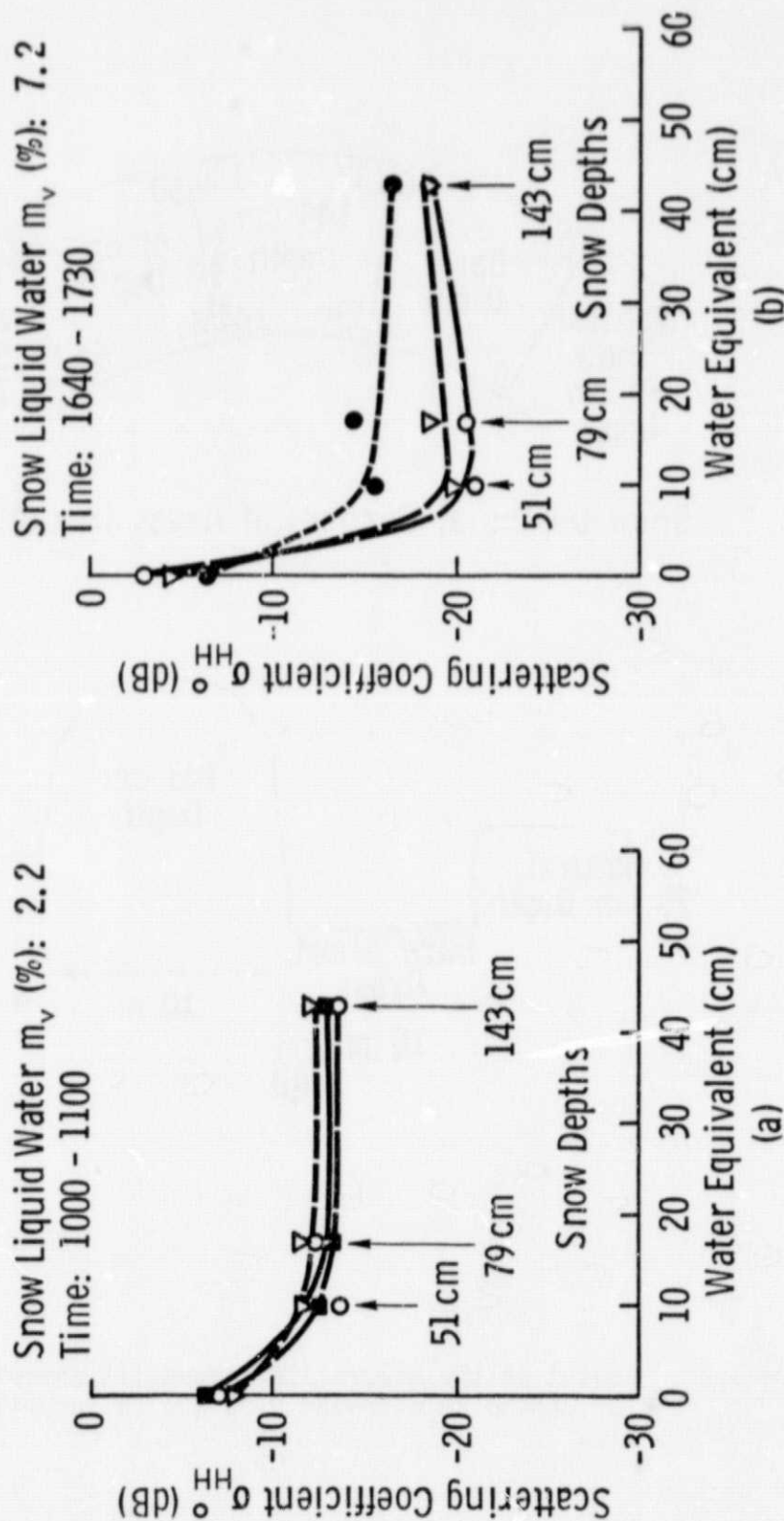


Figure 3.22. Scattering coefficient response to water equivalent at two values of  $m_v$ :  
 (a) 2.2% and (b) 7.2%.

tion of water equivalent between 0 (no snow) and a maximum of 71.7 cm. These results, along with the above snowpile data, are plotted for two frequencies in Figure 3.23. It should be noted that the two radar observations were made at somewhat different angles of incidence; in 1977,  $\theta = 57^\circ$  while in 1979,  $\theta = 40^\circ$ . Also, the soil moisture content was 20% by weight in 1977, compared to saturated soil condition ( $> 50\%$ ) for 1979. Nonetheless, it is useful to compare the variation of  $\sigma^0$  with water equivalent for dry snow (1977) with that for wet snow (1979).

At 9 GHz (Figure 3.23a), a difference of 12 dB is observed between  $\sigma^0$  of the slightly wet soil of 1977 (with no snow cover) and the saturated soil of 1979. Relative to the no-snow levels, the addition of dry snow causes an increase in  $\sigma^0$  whereas the addition of wet snow causes a decrease. Beyond about 30 cm of water equivalent, the underlying soil appears to exercise negligible influence on  $\sigma^0$ .

In contrast to the 9 GHz data, at 16.6 GHz (Figure 3.23b), the difference in  $\sigma^0$  between the two years is much smaller for the exposed soil (no snow), but the dynamic range, between  $\sigma^0$  of dry snow and  $\sigma^0$  of the 7.2% water content snow, is much larger for  $W \geq 20$  cm. In fact, at  $W = 20$  cm,  $\sigma^0(0\%) - \sigma^0(7.1\%) \approx 15$  dB. If one were to correct for the difference in the angle of incidence on the basis of other angular observations of  $\sigma^0$ , the above dynamic range would be closer to 17 or 18 dB at  $\theta = 40^\circ$ .

Figure 3.24 shows an example of the scan data. The received power, which is directly proportional to  $\sigma^0$ , is shown as a function of spatial location as the antenna beam was scanned across the various piles shown in Figure 3.21a. This figure is included mainly to illustrate an alternative data-acquisition technique.

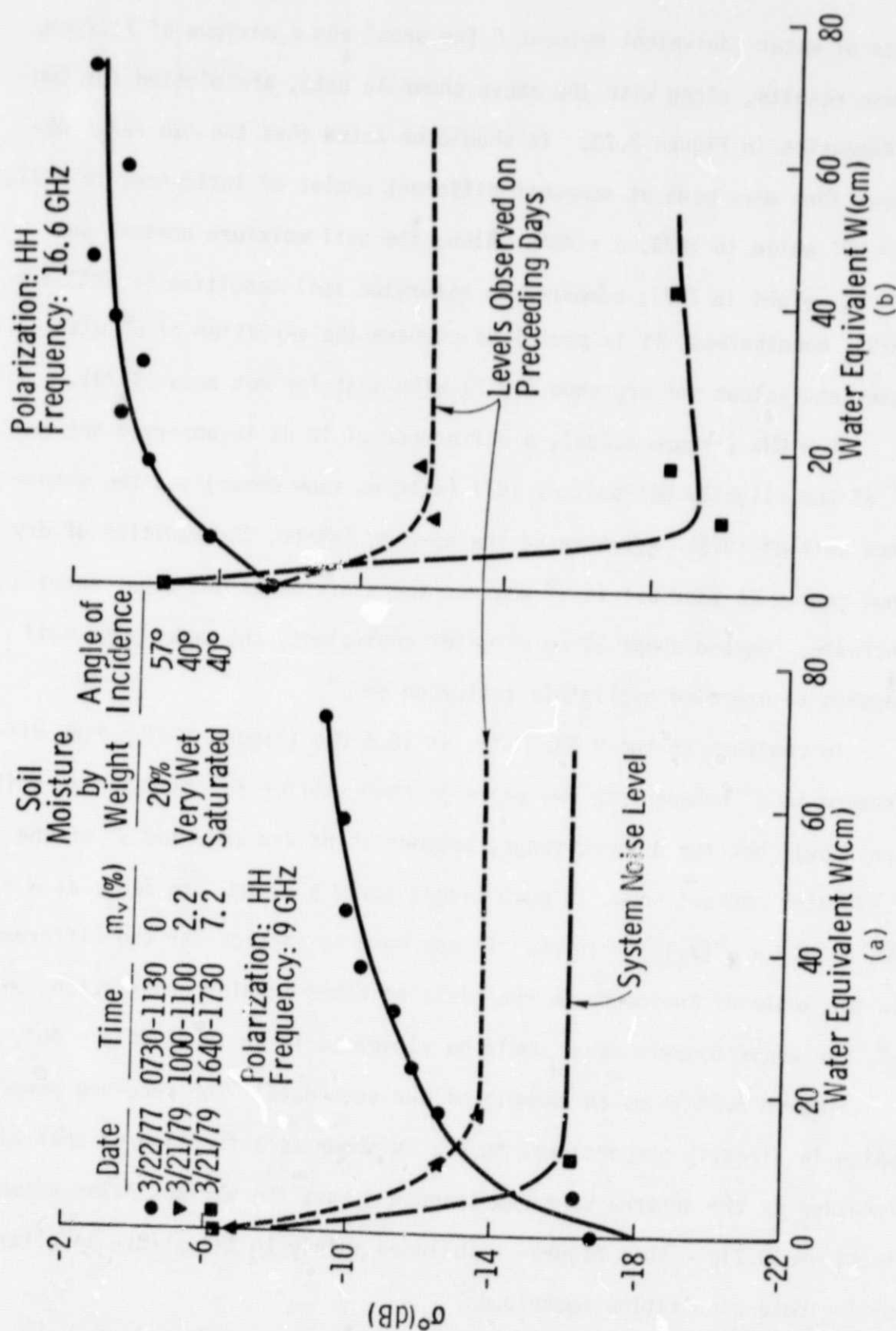


Figure 3.23. Scattering coefficient response to water equivalent for wet and dry snow.



Date: 3/21/79  
 Time: 0900 to 1000  
 Frequency: 8.6 GHz  
 Angle of Incidence: 40°  
 Polarization: HH and HV

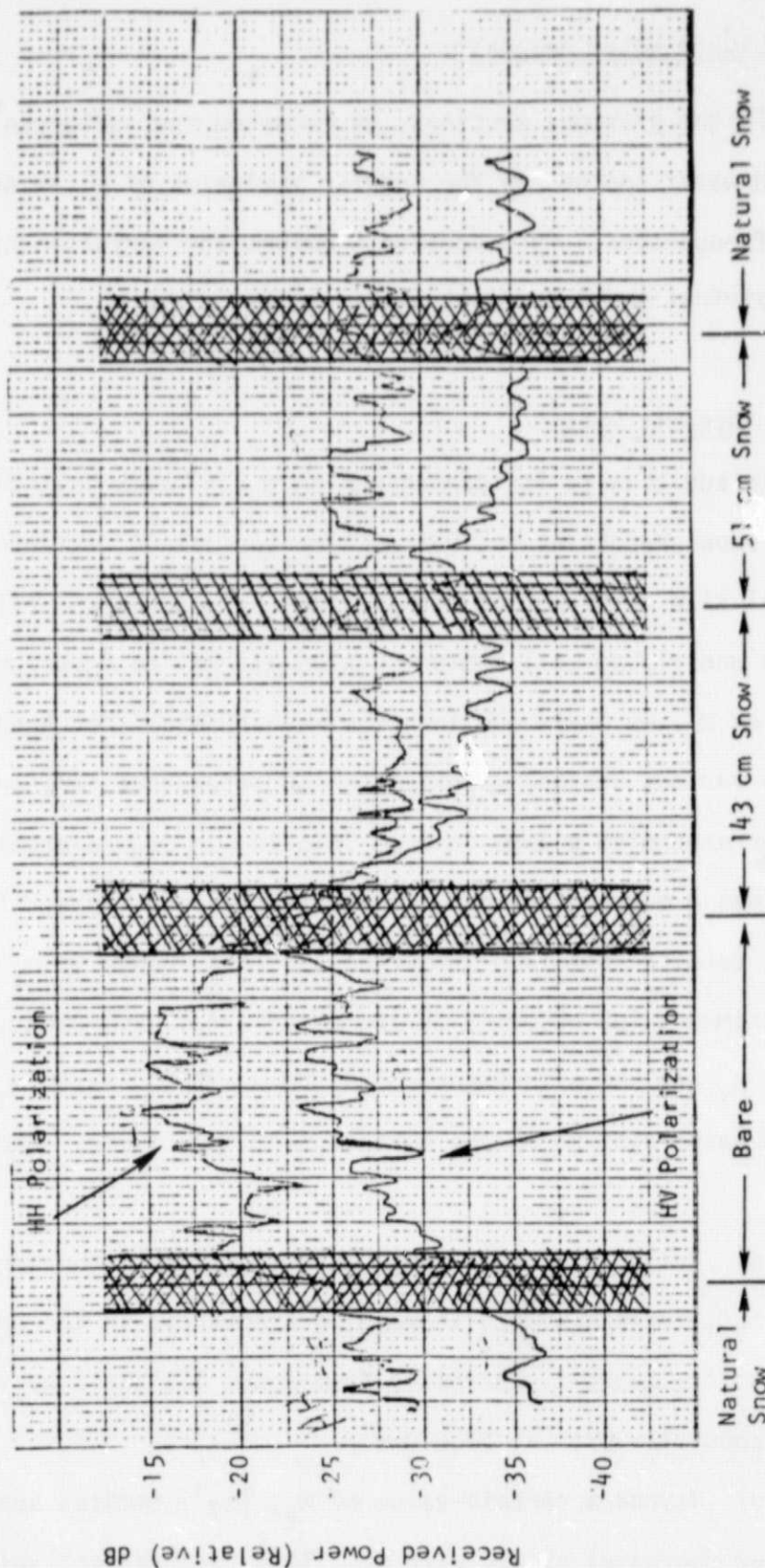


Figure 3.24. An example of x-y plotter scan over the snow pile. Cross-hatched area shows the target transition region.



### 3.4 Liquid Water Response

In the previous sections, we examined the influence of the snow liquid water content on the angular variation of  $\sigma^0$  at several microwave frequencies. This section examines the variation of  $\sigma^0$  with  $m_v$  and an empirical model is developed to relate  $\sigma^0$  to  $m_v$ .

#### 3.4.1 Dynamic Range

In addition to its dependence on  $m_v$ ,  $\sigma^0$  also is influenced by several other snow properties including water equivalent, surface roughness, crystal size distribution and layering structure, as well as the influence of the underlying soil medium. In an attempt to focus on the dependence of  $\sigma^0$  on  $m_v$ , we shall consider the magnitude of the change  $|\Delta\sigma^0|$  observed in the various diurnal experiments conducted thus far, and relate it to the corresponding change in  $m_v$ . That is, in each diurnal, the starting point was a measurement of  $\sigma^0$  for dry snow conditions. The quantity  $|\Delta\sigma^0|$  is the total change in  $\sigma^0$  observed due to a change in  $m_v$  from zero to the maximum value observed during the diurnal experiment. Plots of  $|\Delta\sigma^0|$  versus  $m_v$  are shown in Figure 3.25 for  $\theta = 50^\circ$ . Here,  $m_v$  is the average liquid water content of the surface 5 cm snow layer. These plots indicate that:

(a) Prior to "saturation," the magnitude of the sensitivity,  $|\Delta\sigma^0 / m_v|$ , increases with increasing frequency; in the approximately linear region, this quantity increases from about 1.5 dB/1% by volume at 4.6 GHz up to about 12 dB/1% at 35.6 GHz.

(b) Beyond a certain value of  $m_v$ ,  $|\Delta\sigma^0|$  remains approximately constant or decreases slowly with  $m_v$ . This "saturation" value is beyond

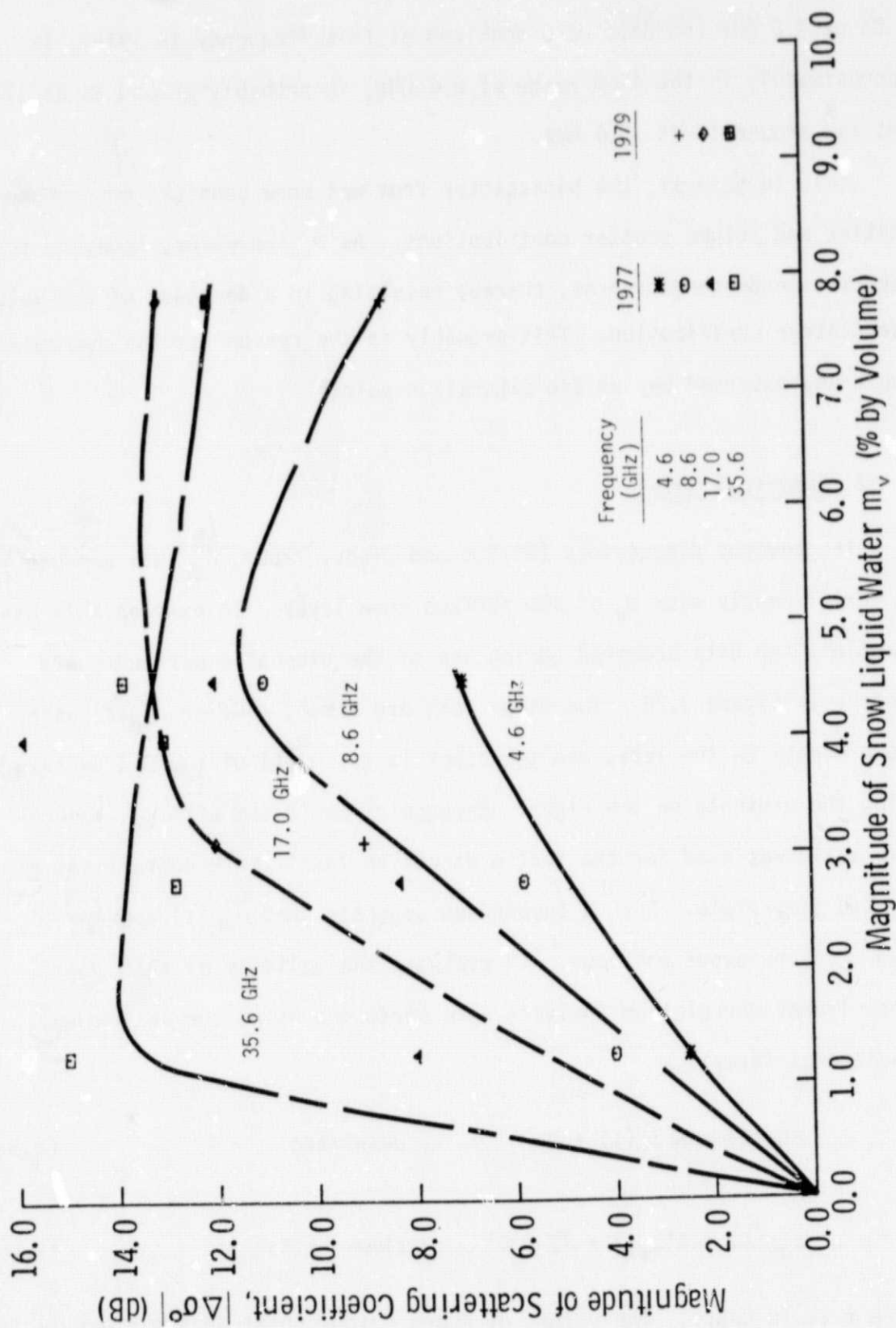


Figure 3.25. Magnitudes of the change in  $\sigma^\circ$  over diurnal periods from 1977 and 1979 as a function of the magnitude of the change in  $m_v$  over the same diurnal period.

4.5% at 4.6 GHz (no data were acquired at this frequency in 1979), is approximately in the 4-6% range at 8.6 GHz, is probably around 3% at 17 GHz and around 1% at 35.6 GHz.

(c) In general, the backscatter from wet snow consists of surface scatter and volume scatter contributions. As  $m_v$  increases, however, the penetration depth decreases, thereby resulting in a decrease of the volume backscatter contribution. This probably is the reason for the decreasing trend observed beyond the saturation point.

### 3.4.2 Empirical Model

In previous discussions (Stiles and Ulaby, 1980),  $\sigma_{dB}^0$  was assumed to vary linearly with  $m_v$  of the surface snow layer. To examine this assumption, the data acquired during one of the diurnal experiments are plotted in Figure 3.26. Two time-plots are shown, one for  $\sigma_{dB}^0(t)$  using the ordinate on the left, and the other is for  $m_v(t)$  of the 0-2 cm layer, using the ordinate on the right. Because  $\sigma^0$  decreases with  $m_v$ , a negative scale was used for the left ordinate to facilitate comparisons of the two time-plots. Such a comparison suggests that  $\sigma_{dB}^0(t)$  appears to lead  $m_v(t)$  by about one hour. To evaluate the validity of this suggestion, linear correlation analyses were performed using the following traditional forms:

$$\sigma_{dB}^0(t) = A m_v(t) + B \quad , \text{ unshifted} \quad (3.5a)$$

$$\sigma_{dB}^0(t) = A' m_v(t + 1) + B' \quad , \text{ time-shifted} \quad (3.5b)$$

where  $t$  is in hours. The values of  $A$  and  $B$  thus obtained are given in Table 3.4 together with the correlation coefficient  $\rho$  associated with the use

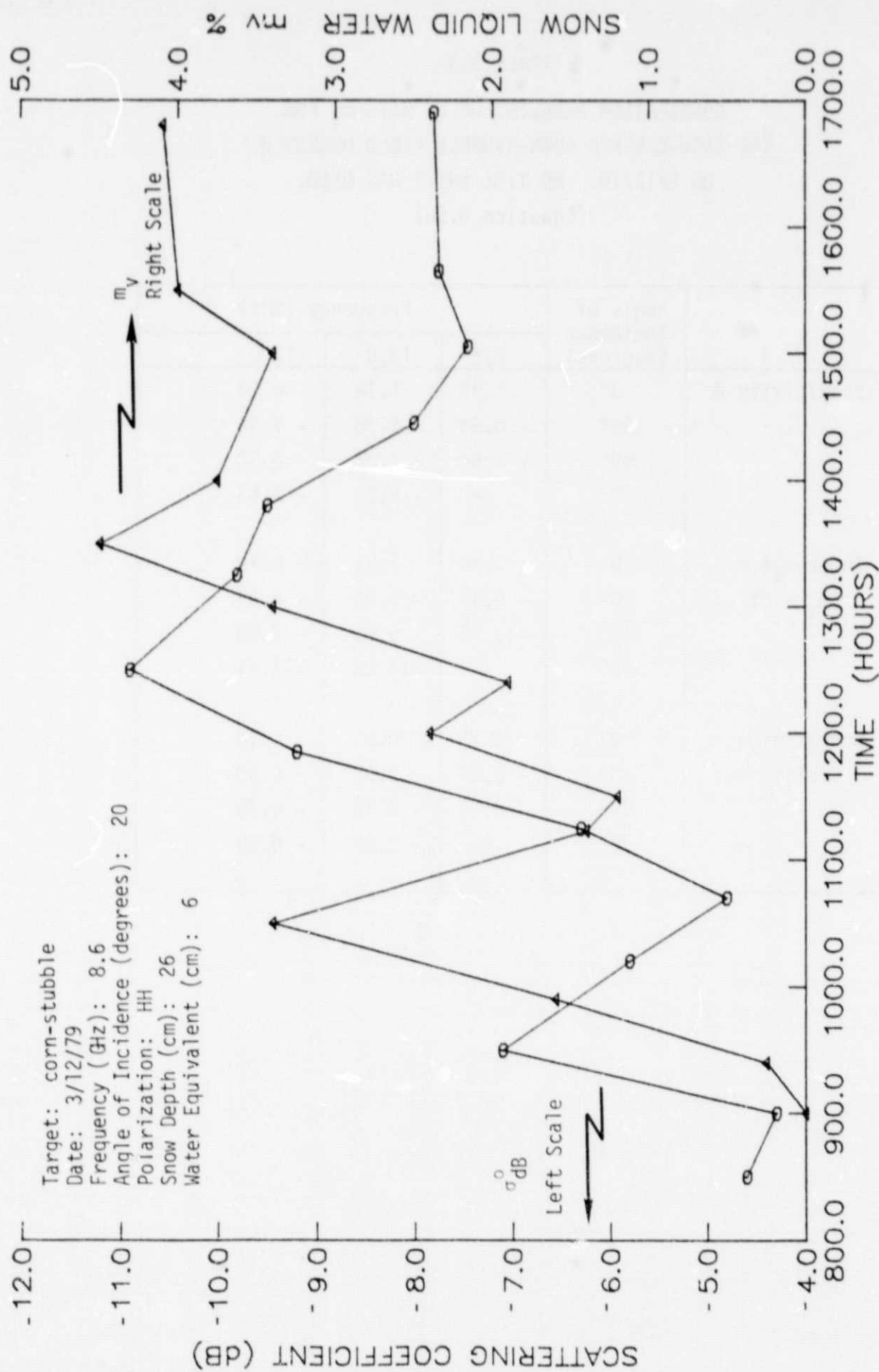


Figure 3.26. Diurnal variation of  $m_v$  and  $\sigma^0$  at 8.6 GHz and 20° on an inverted scale for the cornfield illustrating the apparent  $\sigma^0$  response time shift.

TABLE 3.4

CORRELATION RESULTS FOR  $\sigma^0$  WITH  $m_V$  FOR  
 THE SNOW-COVERED CORN-STUBBLE FIELD OBSERVED  
 ON 3/12/79. NO TIME SHIFT WAS USED.  
 (Equation 3.5a)

	Angle of Incidence (degrees)	Frequency (GHz)		
		8.6	13.0	17.0
Sensitivity A	0°	1.75	1.14	0.24
	20°	- 0.94	- 0.96	- 1.44
	50°	- 1.64	- 2.28	- 2.58
	70°	--	- 2.31	- 2.53
Intercept B ( $m_V = 0$ )	0°	3.84	1.51	5.19
	20°	- 5.46	- 5.96	- 4.44
	50°	-10.72	- 9.65	- 7.03
	70°	--	-14.95	-11.41
Correlation Coefficient $\rho$	0°	0.75	0.51	0.16
	20°	- 0.59	- 0.58	- 0.68
	50°	- 0.81	- 0.78	- 0.79
	70°	--	- 0.69	- 0.69



of the unshifted form given by Equation (3.5a). Similarly,  $A'$ ,  $B'$ , and  $\rho$  are given in Table 3.5 for the time-shifted case defined by Equation (3.5b). Comparison of the two tables shows that for  $\theta \geq 20^\circ$ ,  $|\rho|$  is larger for the time-shifted case than for the unshifted case for every frequency/angle of incidence combination;  $|\rho|$  varies over the range 0.58 to 0.81 for the unshifted case (Table 3.4), while for the time-shifted case (Table 3.5), its range is between 0.60 and 0.92.

The reason for the time shift is attributed to the difference between the sampling depth of  $m_v$  (0-2 cm) and the thickness of the snow surface layer to which the radar response is most sensitive. Since snow melt is the result of absorption of thermal energy from the sun and/or the air above the snow surface, it is suspected that during the snow melting phase,  $m_v$  is highest at the surface and decreases with depth. Hence,  $m_v$  in the 0-0.5 cm layer, for example, would be much higher than the average measured for the 0-2 cm layer, particularly during the period immediately after the onset of melting.

In addition to the regression analyses performed using Equation (3.5b), others were also performed with time-shifts  $t_s$  shorter as well as longer than 1 hour. Slightly different results were obtained for the "optimum" time-shift for different frequencies, but only small improvements in the magnitudes of the correlation coefficients were realized over those obtained with  $t_s = 1$  hour.

The data used in the above discussion were acquired during the diurnal experiment conducted on the snow-covered corn-stubble field on 3/12/79. The maximum value recorded for  $m_v$  was 4.5% by value. In contrast, during the 3/16/79 diurnal experiment (SDSU football field),  $m_v$  of the 0-2 cm layer reached a peak value of 10.5%, and its rate of change was much faster than that observed during the earlier experiment.



TABLE 3.5

CORRELATION RESULTS FOR  $\sigma^0$  WITH  $m_v$  FOR  
THE SNOW-COVERED CORN-STUBBLE FIELD OBSERVED  
ON 3/12/79. A ONE HOUR TIME SHIFT WAS USED.

(Equation 3.5b)

	Angle of Incidence (degrees)	Frequency (GHz)		
		8.6	13.0	17.0
Sensitivity A'	0°	1.86	0.82	-0.09
	20°	-1.6	- 1.68	-2.29
	50°	-2.18	- 3.21	-3.55
	70°	---	- 3.36	-3.88
Intercept B' ( $m_v = 0$ )	0°	3.02	1.92	6.77
	20°	-3.23	- 4.03	-1.56
	50°	-8.57	- 6.23	-3.3
	70°	---	-10.88	-6.39
Correlation Coefficient $\rho$	0°	0.66	0.3	-0.05
	20°	-0.89	- 0.85	-0.92
	50°	-0.86	- 0.86	-0.86
	70°	---	- 0.77	-0.81

To avoid the use of time-shifts between  $\sigma^o(t)$  and  $m_V(t)$ , and to avoid making the assumption that  $\sigma_{dB}^o$  varies linearly with  $m_V$ , it was decided to empirically fit  $\sigma_{dB}^o(t)$  to  $t$ , and  $m_V(t)$  to  $t$ , where  $t$  is the time referenced to the onset of snowmelt, and then relate  $\sigma_{dB}^o$  to  $m_V$  by eliminating the variable  $t$ .

The observed temporal variations of  $\sigma_{dB}^o(t)$  and  $m_V(t)$  with  $t$  suggest the following forms:

$$\sigma_{dB}^o(t) = A + B \exp(ct) \quad (3.6)$$

$$m_V(t) = A' + B' \exp(c't) \quad (3.7)$$

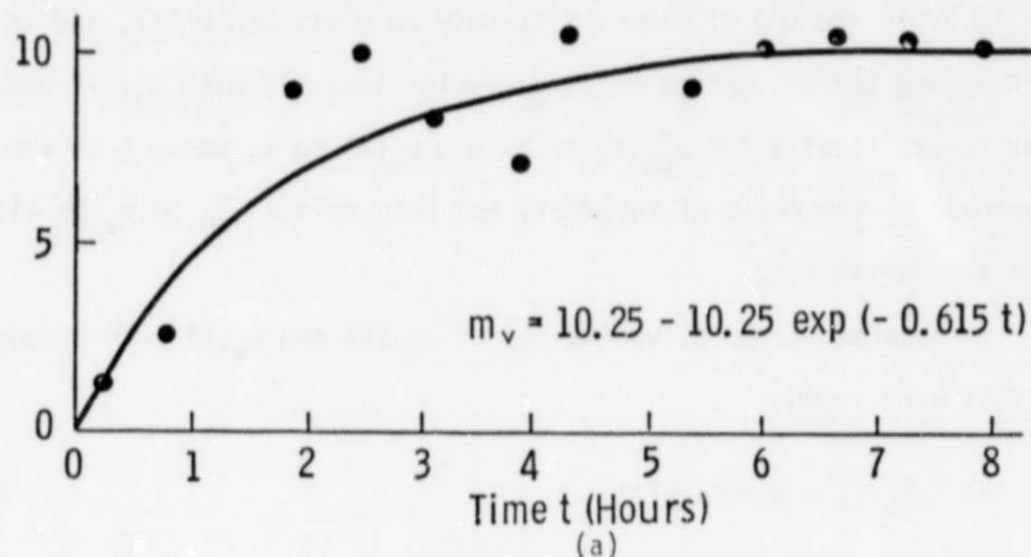
where  $A$ ,  $B$  and  $c$  are constants for a given frequency/angle of incidence/polarization combination. The fit for  $m_V(t)$  is shown in Figure 3.27a, and is given by the expression:

$$m_V(t) = 10.25 - 10.25 \exp(-0.615t) \quad , \% \quad (3.8)$$

Figure 3.27b shows examples of empirical fits for  $\sigma_{dB}^o(t)$  as a function of  $t$  for the different angle/frequency combinations. From these fits, the values of  $A$ ,  $B$  and  $c$  were obtained for each set of observation parameters. With all the constants in Equations (3.6) and (3.7) known, the two expressions are manipulated to eliminate  $t$ , which leads to

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma_{dB}^o &= A + B \left( \frac{m_V - A'}{-B'} \right)^{c/c'} \\ &= A + B \left( \frac{10.25 - m_V}{10.25} \right)^{c''} \end{aligned} \quad (3.9)$$

where



Location: SDSU Football Field

Date: 3/16/79 Polarization: HH

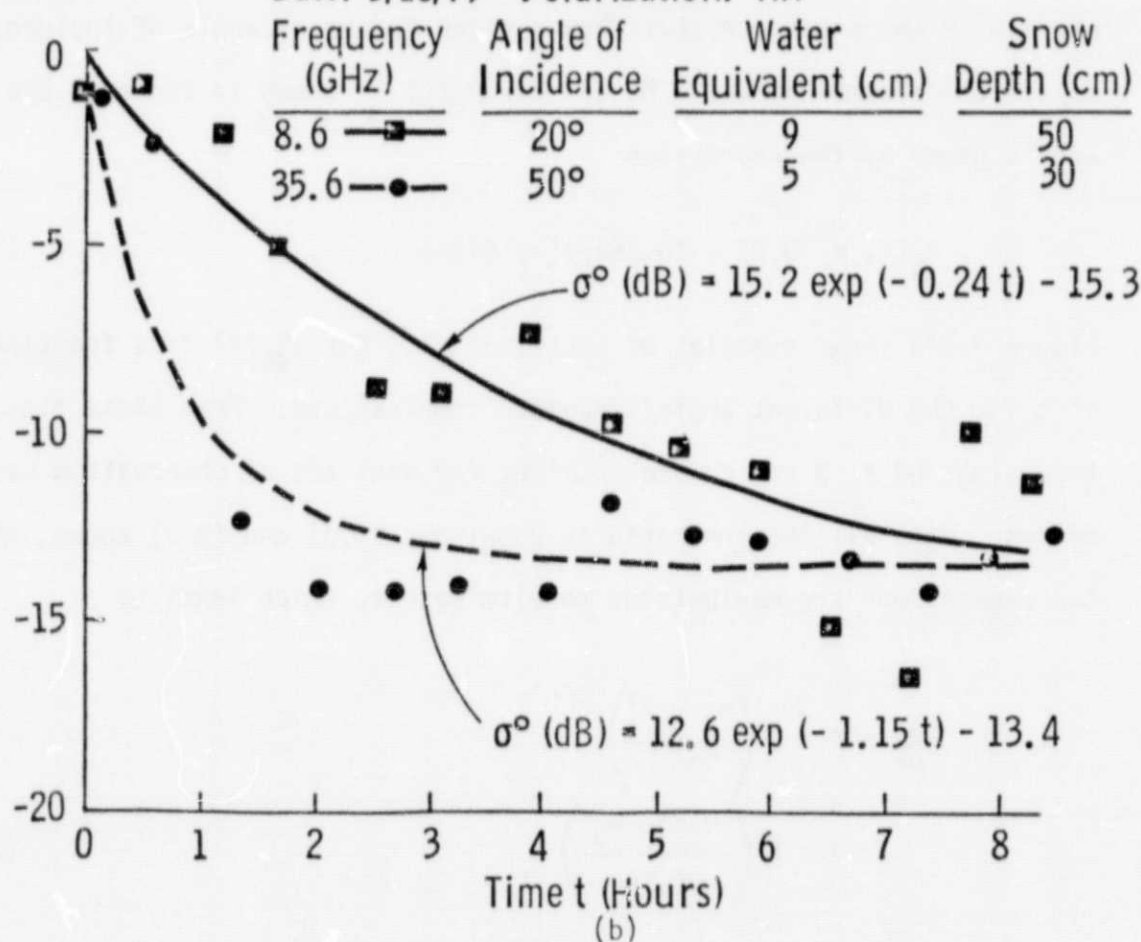
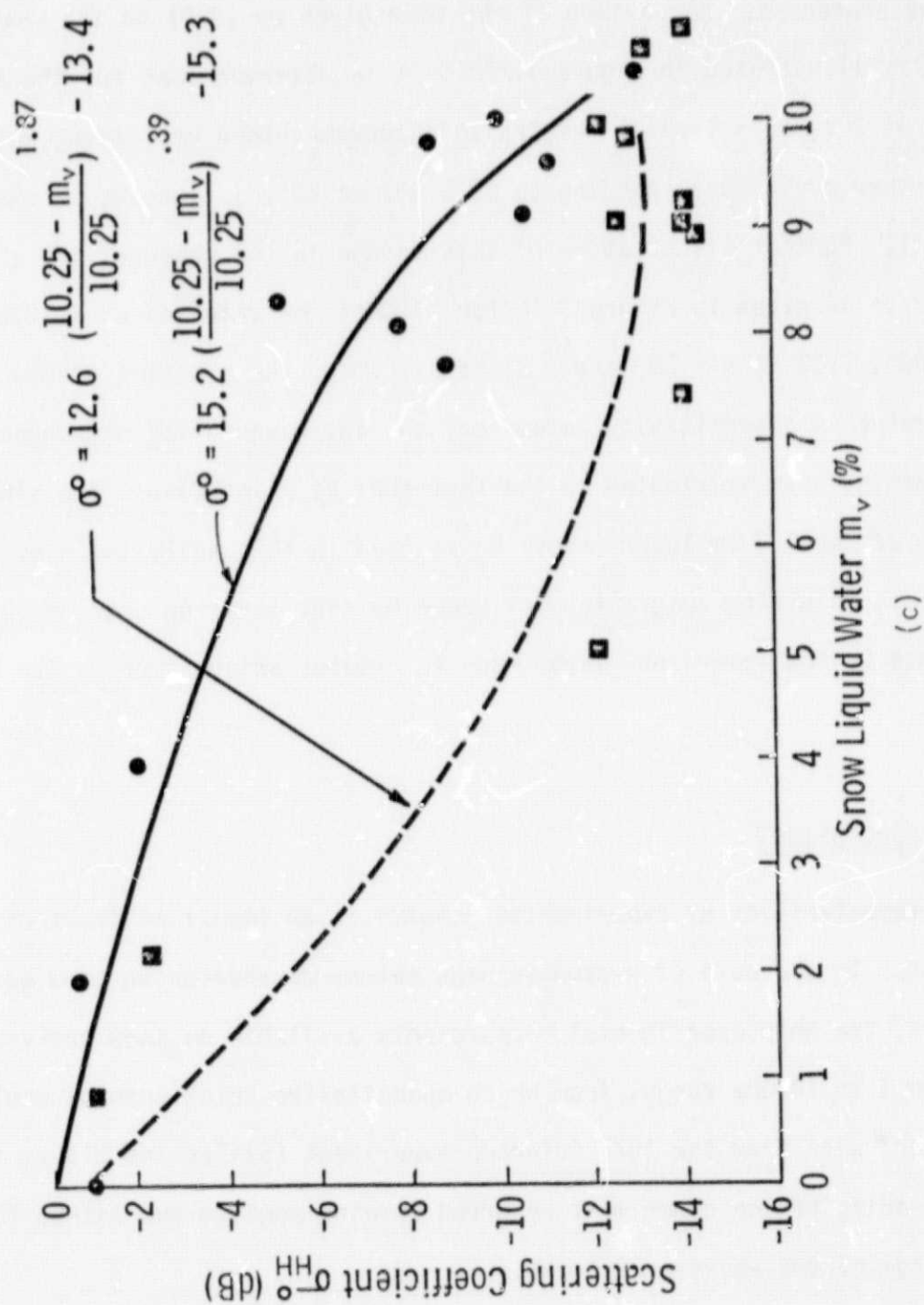


Figure 3.27 Diurnal variation of (a)  $m_v$  and (b)  $\sigma^0$  (dB) at 8.6 GHz for 20° angle of incidence and at 35.6 GHz for 50° angle of incidence referenced to the onset of snowmelt and (c) the relationship between  $\sigma^0$  (dB) and  $m_v$  with the time variable removed.



$$c'' = \frac{\Delta}{c/c'} = -1.626c \quad (3.10)$$

Table 3.6 gives the values of A, B and  $c''$  obtained on the basis of the above procedure. Comparison of the form given by (3.9) to the measured data is illustrated in Figure 3.27c. It is observed that for the 8.6 GHz data at  $20^\circ$ ,  $c'' < 1$  which results in a convex-shaped variation, whereas the other curve corresponding to 35.6 GHz at  $50^\circ$ , is concave in shape with  $c'' > 1$ . Further illustration of this change in the shape of the  $\sigma^0$  versus  $m_v$  curve is given in Figure 3.28 for 17 GHz; the value of  $c''$  is 0.80 at  $\theta = 20^\circ$ , 1.33 at  $\theta = 50^\circ$  and 2.03 at  $\theta = 70^\circ$ . The constant  $c''$  may be interpreted as a sensitivity parameter; the increase in its magnitude with increasing  $\theta$  is attributed to the fact that as  $\theta$  increases, the slant depth of the 0-2 cm layer (whose  $m_v$  is used in this analysis) also increases, resulting in greater influence by that layer on  $\sigma^0$ , and less influence by the lower snow layers due to greater attenuation by the upper layer.

#### 4.0 CONCLUSIONS

Repeatability of experimental results is an important facet of research. In the case of microwave backscatter dependence on snow parameters, the only experimental measurements available on snow backscatter in the 1 to 18 GHz range, from which quantitative relationships could be inferred, were from the 1977 Colorado experiment (Stiles and Ulaby, 1980a). The results of the experiment reported herein, confirm and extend the findings of the above experiment.

Several experiments were performed over diurnal periods at three test sites. During these periods, new situations were observed. On three

TABLE 3.6  
 COEFFICIENTS FOR THE VARIATION  
 OF  $\sigma^0$  (dB) ON 3/16/79.  
 (Equation 3.9)

Coefficient	Angle of Incidence (degrees)	Frequency (GHz)			
		8.6	13.0	17.0	35.6
A	20°	-15.3	-12.1	-13.1	-11.7
	50°	--	-22.3	-19.4	-13.4
	70°	--	--	-25.0	-22.2
B	20°	15.2	9.8	12.2	10.8
	50°	--	11.1	14.5	12.6
	70°	--	--	13.4	12.1
c"	20°	0.39	0.57	0.80	1.07
	50°	--	1.14	1.33	1.87
	70°	--	--	2.03	2.86



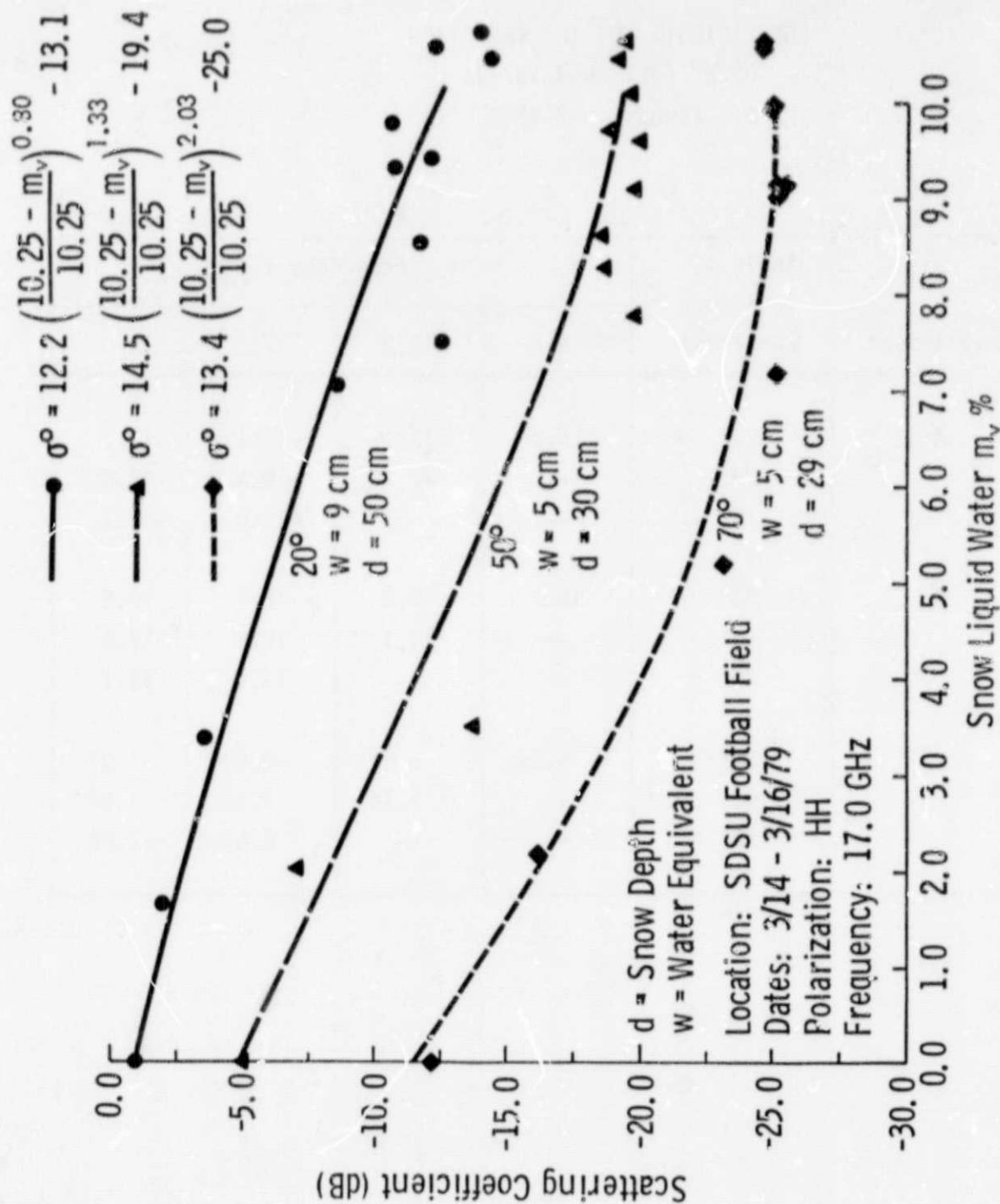


Figure 3.28. The dependence of  $\sigma^0$  on  $m_v$  at 17 GHz for three angles of incidence.

days, under below-zero temperature conditions, no liquid water was formed and as a result, the  $\sigma^0$  observations remained essentially constant. The behavior was identical for both clear and overcast conditions. On another day, the snow remained wet with  $m_v$  always above 5% by volume. For these conditions, the time-response of  $\sigma^0$  again was constant because of the saturation effects discussed in section 3.4. In addition to the above experiments for which snow conditions remained relatively constant throughout the day, in two other experiments, the liquid water content, and consequently  $\sigma^0$ , varied over a wide range of values. These variations were used to generate an empirical model relating  $\sigma^0$  to  $m_v$ .

The effects of surface roughness on the backscatter from snow were examined by comparing measured data to theoretical predictions based on a volume scattering model that incorporates surface roughness at the air-snow interface. Good agreement was obtained between theory and experiment. Also, a surface model was applied to very wet snow.

By combining data acquired for artificially packed wet snow with similar data acquired in 1977 for dry snow, an evaluation was made of the dependence of  $\sigma^0$  on water equivalent for different snow wetness conditions. The observed responses were explained by penetration depth calculations based upon 1977 data.

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APPENDIX A  
GROUND-TRUTH DATA

Contents

<u>Table</u>	<u>Data Type</u>
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TABLE A1 [1]  
 BROOKINGS, SOUTH DAKOTA  
 SNOW STRATIFICATION, DENSITY AND WATER EQUIVALENT DATA

Date (mm/dd/yr)	Time (Hours)	Layer Code	Layer Top (cm)	Layer Density $\rho$ gm/cm <sup>3</sup>	Water Equivalent (cm)
CORN-STUBBLE FIELD					
03/12/79	0830	1	26	0.192	0.385
03/12/79	0830	2	24		
03/12/79	0830	3	17	0.303	0.909
03/12/79	0830	4	14	0.254	3.56
03/12/79	1500	0	26	0.223	5.805
03/12/79	1500	1	26	0.304	0.609
03/12/79	1500	2	24	0.303	1.81
03/12/79	1500	3	18		
03/12/79	1500	4	13	0.254	3.306
03/12/79	1500	0	28	0.167	4.688
STAUROLITE SNOWDRIFT * (Far-Range 75°)					
03/13/79	0841	1	79	0.404	3.639
03/13/79	0841	2	70	0.338	3.714
03/13/79	0841	3	59	0.395	8.685
03/13/79	0841	4	37		
03/13/79	0841	5	34	0.471	5.180
03/13/79	0841	6	23	0.297	2.080
03/13/79	0841	7	16	0.249	3.985
03/13/79	0841	0	76	0.199	15.141
03/13/79	1300	1*	38		
03/13/79	1300	2*	35		
03/13/79	1300	3*	32		
03/13/79	1300	4*	13		
03/13/79	1300	0*	35	0.128	4.465
SDSU FOOTBALL FIELD * (Far-Range 50°, 70°)					
03/14/79	0834	1	73	0.313	1.564
03/14/79	0834	2	68		
03/14/79	0834	3	67	0.254	7.883
03/14/79	0834	4	36		
03/14/79	0834	5	35	0.325	5.196
03/14/79	0834	6	19	0.454	8.631
03/14/79	0834	0	69	0.199	13.721
03/14/79	0940	1*	30	0.477	0.953
03/14/79	0940	2*	28	0.237	7.653
03/14/79	0940	0*	31	0.161	4.996

[1] Layer codes are assigned from the snow surface layer downward starting with 1. Layer 0 indicates an overall average (vertical) sample of the snowpack. The layer top (cm) measurements are referenced to the ground level.



TABLE A1 (contd.)

Date (mm/dd/yr)	Time (Hours)	Layer Code	Layer Top (cm)	Layer Density $\rho$ gm/cm <sup>3</sup>	Water Equivalent (cm)
<u>STAUROLITE SNOWDRIFT</u>					
03/15/79	1015	1	80	0.414	1.241
03/15/79	1015	2	77	0.366	5.127
03/15/79	1015	3	63	0.352	4.223
03/15/79	1015	4	51	0.323	1.617
03/15/79	1015	5	46	0.366	4.760
03/15/79	1015	6	33		
03/15/79	1015	0	76	0.233	17.673
<u>SDSU FOOTBALL FIELD</u> * (Far-Range 50°, 70°)					
03/16/79	0840	1	70	0.345	1.034
03/16/79	0840	2	67	0.350	10.136
03/16/79	0840	3	38	0.316	6.956
03/16/79	0840	4	16	0.207	3.307
03/16/79	0840	0	65	0.198	12.842
03/16/79	0912	1*	31	0.347	0.694
03/16/79	0912	2*	29		
03/16/79	0912	3*	28	0.290	5.519
03/16/79	0912	4*	9	0.217	1.950
<u>STAUROLITE SNOWDRIFT</u>					
03/17/79	0811	1	73	0.340	0.680
03/17/79	0811	2	71		
03/17/79	0811	3	60	0.364	6.193
03/17/79	0811	4	43	0.458	5.039
03/17/79	0811	5	32	0.315	10.088
03/17/79	0811	0	75	0.236	17.664
03/19/79	0850	1	70	0.419	2.095
03/19/79	0850	2	65	0.496	11.909
03/19/79	0850	3	41	0.500	3.996
03/19/79	0850	4	33	0.388	8.528
03/19/79	0850	5	11	0.358	3.939
03/19/79	0850	0	70	0.308	21.575
03/21/79	0800	0	68	0.362	24.619
03/21/79	0800	0	74	0.291	21.513

TABLE A2\*  
BROOKINGS, SOUTH DAKOTA  
SOIL MOISTURE

Date	Time	Ground Depth (cm)	Wet Weight	Dry Weight	Fraction of Moisture
03/14/79	1115	0-2	16.0	34.3	0.34
		2-5	64.1	50.7	0.26
03/15/79	1435	0-2	38.9	25.1	0.55
		2-5	60.7	43.4	0.40

\*This table presents the soil moisture data obtained during the period when the soil was thawed. The samples were obtained at two depth intervals: 0-2 cm and 2-5 cm. The fraction of moisture was calculated on the basis of weight.

$$\text{fraction moisture} = \frac{\text{wet weight} - \text{dry weight}}{\text{dry weight}}$$

#### SOIL CONDITIONS

F = Frozen, T = Thawed

Location	Date							
	3/12	3/13	3/14	3/15	3/16	3/17	3/19	3/21
Near-Range	F	F	T	T	T	T	T	T
Far-Range	F	F	F	--	F	--	--	--

TABLE A3

BROOKINGS, SOUTH DAKOTA  
SNOW TEMPERATURE PROFILE  
(°C)

Time (Hours)	Depth (cm) below Snow Surface								Ground Level	Snow Surface	Air	Other
	100	60	40	20	10	6	4	2				
DATE: 03/12/79 CORN-STUBBLE FIELD												
0830	--	--	--	- 3.9	- 6.6	- 7.7	--	- 8.0	- 2.9	- 5.4	--	--
0915	--	--	--	- 4.9	- 5.2	- 6.9	--	- 5.0	- 2.4	- 3.4	--	--
1000	--	--	--	- 3.9	- 4.2	- 4.4	--	- 1.8	- 2.3	- 1.3	--	--
1030	--	--	--	- 3.3	- 4.2	- 2.3	--	- 1.4	- 1.9	- 0.9	--	--
1135	--	--	--	- 1.8	- 2.4	- 1.5	--	0.1	- 1.6	0.2	--	--
1212	--	--	--	- 1.3	- 0.9	- 0.1	--	0.0	- 0.8	0.1	--	--
1252	--	--	--	- 1.4	- 0.8	0.0	--	0.1	- 1.5	0.1	--	--
1357	--	--	--	- 1.9	- 1.4	- 0.2	--	0.0	- 1.9	0.1	--	--
1437	--	--	--	- 1.6	- 1.2	- 0.2	--	0.0	- 1.8	0.5	--	--
1515	--	--	--	- 1.1	- 0.3	- 0.1	--	0.0	- 1.5	0.1	--	--
1602	--	--	--	- 1.1	- 0.8	- 0.1	--	0.0	- 1.7	- 0.1	--	--
1705	--	--	--	- 1.3	- 0.8	- 0.6	--	- 0.1	- 1.5	- 0.1	--	--
DATE: 03/13/79 STAUROLITE SNOWDRIFT												
0841	--	- 2.8	- 2.8	- 2.5	- 2.7	--	- 3.2	- 3.6	- 2.0	- 4.6	--	--
1007	--	- 3.1	- 3.3	- 3.1	- 3.5	--	- 4.2	- 4.7	- 2.0	- 5.1	- 6.0	--
1102	--	- 4.9	- 3.9	- 3.6	- 4.0	--	- 4.3	- 5.0	- 2.0	- 6.7	--	--
1229	--	- 3.9	- 3.7	- 3.7	- 4.3	--	- 4.7	- 4.9	- 2.0	- 6.1	- 8.1	--
1348	--	- 5.3	- 4.6	- 4.0	- 4.5	--	- 4.7	- 4.7	- 1.9	- 5.3	- 6.7	--
1452	--	- 5.3	- 4.3	- 4.2	- 4.5	--	- 4.7	- 4.9	- 1.9	- 5.6	- 6.3	--

TABLE A3 (contd.) - 2

Time (Hours)	Depth (cm) below Snow Surface								Ground Level	Snow Surface	Air	Other
	100	60	40	20	10	6	4	2				
DATE: 03/14/79 SDSU FOOTBALL FIELD												
0842	--	- 2.0	- 2.5	- 4.2	- 5.7	--	- 7.2	- 7.8	- 1.6	- 9.4	-10.4	Shallow Snow
0945	--	- 3.0	- 3.2	- 5.6	- 7.3	--	- 8.5	- 9.2	- 2.1	-10.0	-11.0	
0955	--	--	--	- 3.7	- 6.1	--	- 8.1	- 9.1	- 2.9	- 8.8	-11.0	
1030	--	- 2.9	- 3.2	- 3.2	- 5.8	--	- 7.2	- 8.1	- 2.3	- 8.8	-11.4	
1105	--	- 2.9	- 3.4	- 3.4	- 6.1	--	- 6.9	- 7.3	- 2.2	- 7.3	-11.6	
1215	--	- 4.9	- 5.0	- 5.0	- 5.8	--	- 6.1	- 6.6	- 2.2	- 8.1	-10.6	Shallow Snow
1307	--	- 2.3	- 2.9	- 2.9	- 4.6	--	- 6.2	- 6.0	- 2.1	- 6.0	-10.3	
1330	--	--	--	- 2.8	- 3.1	--	- 2.4	- 3.0	- 3.0	- 4.3	-11.3	
1415	--	- 2.9	- 3.3	- 4.4	- 4.5	--	- 5.2	- 5.7	- 2.1	--	-11.3	
1500	--	- 3.2	- 3.7	- 4.3	- 4.5	--	- 5.7	- 7.6	- 2.1	- 7.7	-11.1	
1540	--	- 3.2	- 3.4	- 4.9	- 6.3	--	- 7.5	- 7.8	- 2.3	- 7.4	-12.5	
DATE: 03/15/79 STAUROLITE SNOWDRIFT												
1015	--	- 4.8	- 7.1	-13.8	-13.9	--	-14.2	-12.1	- 2.1	- 8.6	-12.0	
1116	--	- 4.4	- 6.9	-11.8	-11.9	--	- 9.1	- 7.8	- 1.5	- 8.3	- 7.6	
1216	--	- 2.2	- 4.0	- 9.4	- 9.7	--	- 6.5	- 5.3	- 0.4	- 5.6	- 6.0	
1318	--	- 2.9	- 5.5	- 9.5	- 8.6	--	- 6.9	- 4.2	- 0.4	- 3.5	- 3.7	
1412	--	- 3.7	- 6.4	- 9.3	- 7.5	--	- 3.9	- 3.5	- 0.2	- 2.3	- 2.7	
1530	--	- 2.5	- 4.4	- 6.7	- 5.2	--	- 4.1	- 2.8	- 0.3	- 3.1	- 3.4	
DATE: 03/16/79 SDSU FOOTBALL FIELD												
0856	--	- 0.5	- 2.2	- 4.0	- 4.1	--	- 2.4	- 1.3	0.9	0.8	1.5	Shallow Snow
0915	--	--	--	- 2.1	- 2.5	--	- 1.4	- 0.1	- 0.7	1.0	1.0	
0950	--	- 0.7	- 2.4	- 4.0	- 3.7	--	- 1.2	- 0.2	1.1	1.0	2.0	
1000	--	--	--	- 1.3	- 1.7	--	- 0.5	- 0.2	- 0.7	1.1	2.2	Shallow Snow
1133	--	- 0.6	- 2.3	- 3.3	- 1.9	--	- 1.2	- 1.2	1.1	1.3	3.6	
1230	--	0.8	- 1.0	- 1.8	- 2.0	--	- 1.0	- 1.1	1.1	1.5	4.1	
1250	--	--	--	- 0.4	- 0.2	--	- 1.0	- 1.0	- 0.4	1.1	3.7	Shallow Snow
1410	--	- 0.3	- 1.1	- 1.2	- 1.3	--	- 1.3	- 1.4	1.1	1.6	4.8	
1420	--	--	--	- 0.8	- 0.8	--	- 1.0	- 1.1	- 0.5	1.2	4.1	Shallow Snow

TABLE A3 (contd.) - 3

Time (Hours)	Depth (cm) below Snow Surface								Ground Level	Snow Surface	Air	Other	
	100	60	40	20	10	6	4	2					
(DATE: 03/16/79 - contd.)													
1510	--	- 0.1	- 0.8	- 0.7	1.0	--	1.0	1.1	1.2	1.2	3.4	Shallow Snow Shallow Snow	
1525	--	--	--	0.8	0.7	--	0.8	0.9	- 0.2	1.1	2.9		
1600	--	--	--	0.9	0.9	--	1.0	1.0	- 0.3	1.1	3.4		
1610	--	- 0.2	- 0.6	- 0.6	0.9	--	1.0	1.2	1.1	1.2	3.0		
1650	--	- 0.3	- 1.0	- 0.4	- 0.7	--	- 0.7	- 0.7	0.6	0.8	3.0		
DATE: 03/17/79													
STAUROLITE SNOWDRIFT													
0811	--	0.9	1.0	1.0	1.0	--	1.0	0.9	0.9	1.1	2.4		
0936	--	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.2	--	1.2	1.2	1.0	1.6	3.0		
1207	--	1.0	1.2	1.2	1.2	--	1.3	1.1	1.1	2.0	3.5		
1414	--	1.4	1.5	1.6	1.7	--	1.8	1.5	1.5	2.2	5.0		
1625	--	1.2	1.4	1.4	1.5	--	1.5	1.3	1.3	2.0	4.5		
DATE: 03/19/79													
STAUROLITE SNOWDRIFT													
0855	--	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	--	0.9	1.1	1.0	1.7	2.0		
DATE: 03/21/79													
STAUROLITE SNOWDRIFT													
0800	0.1*	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	--	1.2	0.2	0.0	0.3	2.9		
0823	- 0.2	- 0.2	- 0.2	- 0.2	- 0.2	--	- 0.4	- 0.4	- 0.2	- 0.4	- 0.5		
1030	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	--	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.3		

\*140 cm depth

Note: Positive values of snow temperature were "measured" and may be the result of thermometer calibration.



TABLE A4 [2]  
BROOKINGS, SOUTH DAKOTA  
LIQUID WATER  $m_v$  (%)

Date (mm/dd/yr)	Time (Hours)	Layer Code	Snow Temperature (°C)	Liquid Water $m_v$ (% by volume)
<u>CORN-STUBBLE FIELD</u>				
03/12/79	0800	1	0.	0.
03/12/79	0830	1	-5.3	0.
03/12/79	0900	1	-5.4	0.
03/12/79	0930	1	-5.0	0.235
03/12/79	0950	2	-5.0	0.180
03/12/79	1000	1	-5.0	1.606
03/12/79	1030	1	0.	3.486
03/12/79	1035	2	0.	0.858
03/12/79	1100	2	-2.2	0.
03/12/79	1115	1	0.	1.312
03/12/79	1130	1	1.1	1.156
03/12/79	1200	1	1.6	2.414
03/12/79	1245	2	-1.4	1.060
03/12/79	1300	1	-1.7	3.358
03/12/79	1315	2	0.	2.296
03/12/79	1330	1	-1.2	4.546
03/12/79	1400	1	-1.7	3.795
03/12/79	1500	1	2.0	3.440
03/12/79	1505	2	0.	0.
03/12/79	1530	1	-1.2	3.997
03/12/79	1600	1	-1.4	2.611
03/12/79	1620	2	0.	0.046
03/12/79	1630	1	-1.3	3.398
03/12/79	1700	1	-1.6	2.972
<u>STAUROLITE SNOWDRIFT</u>				
03/13/79	0900	1	0.	0.
03/13/79	0930	1	-4.8	0.
03/13/79	1000	1	-6.3	0.
03/13/79	1035	1	-7.2	0.
03/13/79	1105	0	-5.0	0.
03/13/79	1255	1	-5.7	0.
03/13/79	1310	0	-6.5	0.
03/13/79	1405	0	-7.2	0.
03/13/79	1520	1	-5.5	0.

[2] Layer codes in this table correspond to the following depths from the surface downward: 1-0 to 2 cm, 2-2 to 5 cm, 3-5 to 10 cm, 4-10-15 cm, 5-15 to 20 cm, etc.



TABLE A4 (contd.) -2

Date (mm/dd/yr)	Time (Hours)	Layer Code	Snow Temperature (°C)	Liquid Water m <sub>v</sub> (% by volume)
<u>SDSU FOOTBALL FIELD</u>				
03/14/79	0830	1	0.	0.
03/14/79	0900	1	-15.0	0.
03/14/79	0945	1	-13.8	0.
03/14/79	1030	1	- 9.5	0.
03/14/79	1114	1	-10.0	0.
03/14/79	1250	1	-10.4	0.
03/14/79	1330	1	- 9.7	0.
03/14/79	1400	1	-10.9	0.
03/14/79	1430	1	-11.9	0.
03/14/79	1505	1	-11.2	0.
03/14/79	1540	1	-11.0	0.
<u>STAGKOLITE SNOWDRIFT</u>				
03/15/79	0905	1	-14.8	0.
03/15/79	1000	1	-12.9	0.
03/15/79	1030	1	- 7.3	0.
03/15/79	1100	1	- 5.2	0.
03/15/79	1140	1	- 7.3	0.
03/15/79	1215	1	- 8.5	0.
03/15/79	1245	1	- 5.4	0.
03/15/79	1335	1	- 5.5	0.
03/15/79	1415	1	- 5.7	0.
03/15/79	1515	1	- 9.9	0.
03/15/79	1600	1	- 9.3	0.
<u>SDSU FOOTBALL FIELD</u>				
03/16/79	0840	1	- 0.4	1.281
03/16/79	0920	1	- 1.3	2.556
03/16/79	1025	2	- 1.0	1.333
03/16/79	1030	1	- 1.0	9.151
03/16/79	1100	1	- 1.5	10.052
03/16/79	1130	1	- 0.5	8.366
03/16/79	1215	1	- 0.5	6.848
03/16/79	1215	2	- 0.5	3.536
03/16/79	1230	3	- 0.7	0.077
03/16/79	1250	1	- 1.0	10.500
03/16/79	1319	2	0.	5.002
03/16/79	1336	3	0.	2.151
03/16/79	1355	1	0.	9.022
03/16/79	1421	2	0.	5.128
03/16/79	1435	1	0.	10.144
03/16/79	1444	3	0.	0.830
03/16/79	1505	1	0.	10.500

(cont'd.)

Date (mm/dd/yr)	Time (Hours)	Layer Code	Snow Temperature (°C)	Liquid Water m <sub>v</sub> (% by volume)
03/16/79	1540	1	0.	10.500
03/16/79	1608	2	0.	6.108
03/16/79	1625	4	0.	7.801
03/16/79	1640	4	0.	9.229
03/16/79	1650	1	0.	4.946
03/16/79	1650	2	0.	6.609
STAUROLITE SNOWDRIFT				
03/17/79	0810	1	0.	9.603
03/17/79	0915	1	0.	10.200
03/17/79	0949	2	0.	3.511
03/17/79	1000	4	0.	4.389
03/17/79	1035	1	0.	9.563
03/17/79	1101	5	0.	5.785
03/17/79	1120	7	0.	13.740
03/17/79	1140	6	0.	1.863
03/17/79	1205	8	0.	4.206
03/17/79	1215	2	0.	10.800
03/17/79	1230	1	0.	7.266
03/17/79	1335	1	0.	5.688
03/19/79	0915	1	0.	4.843
03/19/79	1129	1	0.	1.168
03/21/79	0800	1	0.	1.293
03/21/79	0800	2	0.	0.760
03/21/79	0835	1	- 0.5	1.711
03/21/79	0835	2	- 0.5	0.
03/21/79	0935	1	0.	0.843
03/21/79	0905	2	0.	0.
03/21/79	1007	2	0.	2.752
03/21/79	1007	1	0.	2.452
03/21/79	1100	1	0.	2.023
03/21/79	1100	2	0.	3.712
03/21/79	1123	1	0.	2.267
03/21/79	1123	2	0.	2.204
03/21/79	1410	1	0.2	5.746
03/21/79	1410	2	0.2	4.264
03/21/79	1410	3	0.2	3.199
03/21/79	1448	5	0.2	3.118
03/21/79	1448	9	0.2	3.960
03/21/79	1448	0	0.2	6.335
03/21/79	1529	0	0.2	5.227
03/21/79	1529	0	0.2	6.817
03/21/79	1615	1	0.	5.495
03/21/79	1615	2	0.	3.845
03/21/79	1645	1	0.	7.220
03/21/79	1645	2	0.	2.873

APPENDIX B  
Scattering Coefficient Data

BROOKINGS, SOUTH DAKOTA 1979  
SCATTERING COEFFICIENT SIGMA0 (dB)  
CORN FIELD

DATE 3/12/79

FREQUENCY (GHZ)

8.6                      13.0                      17.0                      35.6

ANGLE = 0 DEGREES      RANGE 20.0714      TIME 816

HH	4.87	5.49	5.99
HV	-3.16	-2.92	-0.79

ANGLE = 20 DEGREES      RANGE 21.0833      TIME 825

HH	-4.79	-6.67	-4.78
HV	-10.72	-13.08	-10.90

ANGLE = 50 DEGREES      RANGE 32.9425      TIME 834

HH	-11.13	-10.51	-7.67
HV	-17.74	-16.12	-12.40

ANGLE = 70 DEGREES      RANGE 63.0826      TIME 839

HH	-14.52	-13.63	-9.35
HV	-20.32	-19.22	-14.45

ANGLE = 0 DEGREES      RANGE 19.8636      TIME 845

HH	5.73	3.51	7.65
HV	-2.16	-3.42	0.06

ANGLE = 20 DEGREES      RANGE 21.5253      TIME 858

HH	-4.29	-6.31	-5.12
HV	-9.87	-11.52	-10.08

ANGLE = 50 DEGREES      RANGE 33.0185      TIME 910

HH	-10.49	-9.66	-7.80
HV	-17.72	-14.96	-12.69

ANGLE = 70 DEGREES      RANGE 63.9428      TIME 913

HH	-15.07	-13.53	-9.92
HV	-21.17	-18.37	-16.02

BROOKINGS, SOUTH DAKOTA 1979  
SCATTERING COEFFICIENT SIGMA0 (dB)  
CORN FIELD

DATE 3/12/79

FREQUENCY (GHZ)

8.6                  13.0                  17.0                  35.6

ANGLE = 0 DEGREES      RANGE 18.6361      TIME 922

HH    3.35                          4.16  
HV   -4.91           -8.13           -1.91

ANGLE = 20 DEGREES      RANGE 22.9490      TIME 932

HH   -7.07           -4.74           -5.39  
HV   -13.75          -9.73           -10.07

ANGLE = 50 DEGREES      RANGE 33.1235      TIME 942

HH   -12.46          -10.71          -7.49  
HV   -18.26          -15.73          -12.50

ANGLE = 70 DEGREES      RANGE 60.3518      TIME 949

HH   -15.22          -13.73          -11.26  
HV   -20.71          -19.48          -16.75

ANGLE = 0 DEGREES      RANGE 20.2352      TIME 958

HH    4.75            3.76            6.43  
HV   -3.53           -2.02           -1.18

ANGLE = 20 DEGREES      RANGE 21.9144      TIME 1007

HH   -5.80           -5.44           -3.56  
HV   -10.39          -10.84          -9.86

ANGLE = 50 DEGREES      RANGE 32.1392      TIME 1017

HH   -11.09          -10.05          -7.63  
HV   -17.56          -17.77          -13.09

ANGLE = 70 DEGREES      RANGE 57.8421      TIME 1024

HH   -14.42          -15.23          -11.74  
HV   -20.43          -21.76          -17.40



BROOKINGS, SOUTH DAKOTA 1979  
SCATTERING COEFFICIENT SIGMA0 (dB)  
CORN FIELD

DATE 3/12/79

FREQUENCY (GHZ)

8.6            13.0            17.0            35.6

ANGLE = 0 DEGREES      RANGE 20.1636      TIME 1031

HH	6.43	3.03	7.48
HV	-1.42	-3.49	-2.53

ANGLE = 20 DEGREES      RANGE 21.6883      TIME 1043

HH	-4.78	-4.73	-4.20
HV	-8.97	-12.61	-11.35

ANGLE = 50 DEGREES      RANGE 33.3516      TIME 1051

HH	-11.94	-11.35	-8.50
HV	-18.05	-17.25	-13.33

ANGLE = 70 DEGREES      RANGE 58.0590      TIME 1057

HH	-15.38	-17.27	-13.18
HV	-20.63	-22.91	-19.59

ANGLE = 20 DEGREES      RANGE 21.9266      TIME 1114

HH	-6.25	-7.21	-6.48
HV	-10.79	-12.28	-13.21

ANGLE = 50 DEGREES      RANGE 32.2894      TIME 1124

HH	-13.52	-13.28	-11.76
HV	-19.23	-19.82	-16.62

ANGLE = 70 DEGREES      RANGE 58.5711      TIME 1132

HH	-18.10	-23.49	-20.55
HV	-23.99	-27.45	-24.99



BROOKINGS, SOUTH DAKOTA 1979  
SCATTERING COEFFICIENT SIGMA0 (dB)  
CORN FIELD

DATE 3/12/79

FREQUENCY (GHZ)

8.6            13.0            17.0            35.6

ANGLE = 0 DEGREES      RANGE 20.0217      TIME 1145

HH    7.78        2.14        5.31  
HV   -0.78       -4.90       -3.63

ANGLE = 20 DEGREES      RANGE 22.4722      TIME 1156

HH    -9.22       -9.05       -10.43  
HV   -14.00       -16.20       -16.53

ANGLE = 50 DEGREES      RANGE 33.3645      TIME 1204

HH   -15.61       -15.86       -14.19  
HV   -22.43       -22.51       -20.49

ANGLE = 70 DEGREES      RANGE 61.9891      TIME 1209

HH                -23.33       -21.56  
HV   -23.35       -29.19       -28.18

ANGLE = 20 DEGREES      RANGE 22.4935      TIME 1231

HH   -10.95       -12.27       -11.26  
HV   -17.13       -17.34       -17.76

ANGLE = 50 DEGREES      RANGE 32.4071      TIME 1241

HH   -17.17       -20.74       -18.31  
HV   -23.65       -25.88       -25.12

ANGLE = 70 DEGREES      RANGE 60.4719      TIME 1247

HH                -25.57       -22.98  
HV   -23.55       -29.35       -29.38

BROOKINGS, SOUTH DAKOTA 1979  
SCATTERING COEFFICIENT SIGMA0 (dB)  
CORN FIELD

DATE 3/12/79

FREQUENCY (GHZ)

8.6                  13.0                  17.0                  35.6

ANGLE = 0 DEGREES      RANGE 19.8102      TIME 1259

HH	11.61	7.52	7.43
HV	2.17	-0.50	-1.38

ANGLE = 20 DEGREES      RANGE 22.3073      TIME 1315

HH	-9.81	-11.64	-9.94
HV	-14.25	-17.21	-16.71

ANGLE = 50 DEGREES      RANGE 32.9568      TIME 1324

HH	-18.99	-20.33	-19.32
HV	-25.07	-24.87	-24.91

ANGLE = 70 DEGREES      RANGE 57.0598      TIME 1332

HH		-23.36	-20.65
HV	-24.42	-29.49	-28.50

ANGLE = 0 DEGREES      RANGE 20.0374      TIME 1338

HH	11.71	7.46	8.91
HV	2.29	1.40	0.03

ANGLE = 20 DEGREES      RANGE 22.0424      TIME 1350

HH	-9.53	-10.28	-10.92
HV	-14.67	-15.37	-15.67

ANGLE = 50 DEGREES      RANGE 32.7664      TIME 1401

HH	-18.03	-19.95	-17.86
HV	-24.28	-24.17	-23.37

ANGLE = 70 DEGREES      RANGE 61.1851      TIME 1407

HH		-24.30	-22.40
HV	-23.66	-28.92	-27.96

BROOKINGS, SOUTH DAKOTA 1979  
SCATTERING COEFFICIENT SIGMA0 (dB)  
CORN FIELD

DATE 3/12/79

FREQUENCY (GHZ)

8.6                      13.0                      17.0                      35.6

ANGLE = 0 DEGREES      RANGE 19.8379      TIME 1414

HH    11.65            6.88            5.96

HV    1.56            -0.52           -0.48

ANGLE = 20 DEGREES      RANGE 22.2611      TIME 1428

HH    -7.94            -9.85           -8.61

HV   -13.70           -14.63           -15.59

ANGLE = 50 DEGREES      RANGE 32.6666      TIME 1436

HH   -16.74           -18.46           -16.69

HV   -23.50           -24.63           -23.80

ANGLE = 70 DEGREES      RANGE 58.4238      TIME 1441

HH                    -24.54           -21.31

HV   -24.30           -28.17           -27.11

ANGLE = 0 DEGREES      RANGE 20.3970      TIME 1450

HH    12.17            7.84            6.06

HV    1.69            0.66            -1.85

ANGLE = 20 DEGREES      RANGE 22.3831      TIME 1504

HH    -7.41            -9.08           -9.47

HV   -13.28           -14.48           -15.85

ANGLE = 50 DEGREES      RANGE 33.4293      TIME 1512

HH   -16.28           -17.26           -16.19

HV   -22.81           -23.32           -22.66

ANGLE = 70 DEGREES      RANGE 59.6977      TIME 1516

HH                    -23.34           -20.09

HV    18.02           -29.07           -27.35

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CORN FIELD

DATE 3/12/79

FREQUENCY (GHZ)

8.6                  13.0                  17.0                  35.6

ANGLE = 0 DEGREES      RANGE 19.9073      TIME 1522

HH	9.54	4.24	3.33
HV	-0.03	-2.63	-4.27

ANGLE = 20 DEGREES      RANGE 22.3874      TIME 1537

HH	-7.81	-8.46	-10.13
HV	-14.06	-14.15	-15.67

ANGLE = 50 DEGREES      RANGE 32.7759      TIME 1545

HH	-15.49	-16.29	-15.45
HV	-22.52	-23.19	-21.59

ANGLE = 70 DEGREES      RANGE 58.0919      TIME 1554

HH		-23.85	-20.97
HV	-24.06	-28.56	-3.87

ANGLE = 0 DEGREES      RANGE 20.0032      TIME 1601

HH	7.71	3.13	2.45
HV	0.91	-3.63	-4.45

ANGLE = 20 DEGREES      RANGE 23.1986      TIME 1615

HH	-11.67	-9.28	-11.14
HV	-18.62	-15.63	-17.22

ANGLE = 50 DEGREES      RANGE 32.8669      TIME 1623

HH	-16.61	-16.61	-15.89
HV	-24.31	-23.75	-21.92

ANGLE = 70 DEGREES      RANGE 60.6290      TIME 1628

HH		-22.81	-20.33
HV	-26.98	-28.35	-26.52

BROOKINGS, SOUTH DAKOTA 1979  
SCATTERING COEFFICIENT SIGMA0 (dB)  
CORN FIELD

DATE 3/12/79

FREQUENCY (GHZ)

8.6                      13.0                      17.0                      35.6

ANGLE = 0 DEGREES                      RANGE 19.9391                      TIME 1634

HH	8.98	1.03	0.67
HV	-4.62	-6.72	-7.34

ANGLE = 20 DEGREES                      RANGE 22.1777                      TIME 1649

HH	-7.82	-8.77	-10.95
HV	-15.88	-16.11	-15.73

ANGLE = 50 DEGREES                      RANGE 34.0229                      TIME 1657

HH	-18.29	-17.69	-17.60
HV	-26.04	-24.13	-23.23

ANGLE = 70 DEGREES                      RANGE 55.8380                      TIME 1702

HH		-24.68	-21.68
HV	-26.29	-29.34	-26.99

BROOKINGS, SOUTH DAKOTA 1979  
SCATTERING COEFFICIENT SIGMA<sub>0</sub> (dB)  
SDSU FOOTBALL FIELD

DATE 3/14/79

FREQUENCY (GHZ)

8.6                      13.0                      17.0                      35.6

ANGLE = 0 DEGREES      RANGE 20.0918      TIME 809

HH	6.77	4.85	6.22	5.73
HV	-0.08	-4.95	-1.33	-3.42

ANGLE = 20 DEGREES      RANGE 21.6683      TIME 825

HH	-0.78	-2.55	-0.91	-1.35
HV	-5.47	-9.72	-6.29	-3.41

ANGLE = 50 DEGREES      RANGE 31.0840      TIME 833

HH	-13.42	-11.48	-5.06	-1.00
HV	-19.59	-16.58	-10.44	-3.52

ANGLE = 70 DEGREES      RANGE 53.2848      TIME 840

HH		-18.81	-12.00	-10.37
HV	-26.04	-24.10	-16.85	-12.78

ANGLE = 0 DEGREES      RANGE 20.0656      TIME 851

HH	8.07	4.49	5.94	5.08
HV	-0.19	-3.60	-0.92	-5.53

ANGLE = 20 DEGREES      RANGE 21.4467      TIME 906

HH	0.77	-2.47	0.76	0.05
HV	-5.22	-8.86	-6.09	-3.74

ANGLE = 50 DEGREES      RANGE 30.9621      TIME 913

HH	-13.70	-10.85	-6.33	-1.29
HV	-20.55	-16.85	-11.97	-6.03

ANGLE = 70 DEGREES      RANGE 53.1227      TIME 923

HH		-15.27	-9.56	-8.68
HV	-24.48	-22.16	-15.25	-11.54



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SCATTERING COEFFICIENT SIGMA0 (dB)  
SDSU FOOTBALL FIELD

DATE 3/14/79

FREQUENCY (GHZ)

8.6            13.0            17.0            35.6

ANGLE = 0 DEGREES      RANGE 19.5557      TIME 932

HH	7.26	0.98	4.69	7.12
HV	0.04	-6.02	-2.57	-3.27

ANGLE = 20 DEGREES      RANGE 21.0719      TIME 943

HH	0.64	-2.88	-0.63	-0.26
HV	-4.13	-10.39	-6.77	-5.10

ANGLE = 50 DEGREES      RANGE 30.1868      TIME 951

HH	-13.66	-12.14	-5.83	-0.49
HV	-20.28	-17.97	-12.40	-4.97

ANGLE = 70 DEGREES      RANGE 53.4311      TIME 958

HH		-16.56	-11.81	-8.38
HV	-25.33	-23.57	-16.74	-12.02

ANGLE = 0 DEGREES      RANGE 19.8973      TIME 1004

HH	6.68	3.57	5.41	4.56
HV	1.22	-3.96	-1.38	-5.11

ANGLE = 20 DEGREES      RANGE 21.3646      TIME 1018

HH	1.05	-2.20	0.44	-1.09
HV	-4.00	-7.07	-5.37	-4.93

ANGLE = 50 DEGREES      RANGE 30.2950      TIME 1026

HH	-13.59	-11.63	-6.31	-1.83
HV	-20.01	-16.10	-11.87	-5.11

ANGLE = 70 DEGREES      RANGE 54.3766      TIME 1031

HH		-16.75	-11.26	-7.52
HV	-25.40	-22.57	-17.45	-10.55

BROOKINGS, SOUTH DAKOTA 1979  
SCATTERING COEFFICIENT SIGMA0 (dB)  
SDSU FOOTBALL FIELD

DATE 3/14/79

FREQUENCY (GHZ)

8.6            13.0            17.0            35.6

ANGLE = 0 DEGREES      RANGE 19.7767      TIME 1038

HH	7.74	3.62	6.81	5.73
HV	1.00	-2.31	-1.11	-4.99

ANGLE = 20 DEGREES      RANGE 21.3062      TIME 1052

HH	-0.07	-1.96	-0.02	0.25
HV	-4.63	-7.87	-6.06	-4.80

ANGLE = 50 DEGREES      RANGE 30.3181      TIME 1103

HH	-13.64	-10.34	-5.85	-1.74
HV	-20.71	-15.99	-11.56	-4.83

ANGLE = 70 DEGREES      RANGE 52.9393      TIME 1110

HH		-17.82	-11.34	-8.29
HV	-25.48	-22.44	-21.10	-12.16

ANGLE = 0 DEGREES      RANGE 19.7512      TIME 1119

HH	7.70	3.36	4.17	4.81
HV	1.11	-4.03	-1.88	-4.44

ANGLE = 20 DEGREES      RANGE 21.1024      TIME 1132

HH	0.52	-1.91	-0.60	-1.19
HV	-2.36	-8.85	-6.83	-3.85

ANGLE = 50 DEGREES      RANGE 29.4793      TIME 1140

HH	-13.29	-11.47	-6.39	-2.33
HV	-19.70	-17.96	-11.47	-5.82

ANGLE = 70 DEGREES      RANGE 53.3073      TIME 1147

HH		-15.72	-10.60	-6.48
HV	-24.42	-22.26	-17.07	-11.63

BROOKINGS, SOUTH DAKOTA 1979  
SCATTERING COEFFICIENT SIGMA0 (dB)  
SDSU FOOTBALL FIELD

DATE 3/14/79

FREQUENCY (GHZ)

8.6            13.0            17.0            35.6

ANGLE = 0 DEGREES      RANGE 19.4932      TIME 1200

HH	8.17	2.59	7.18	5.89
HV	2.08	-4.96	-1.25	-3.32

ANGLE = 20 DEGREES      RANGE 21.2444      TIME 1210

HH	1.05	-0.37	1.69	-0.93
HV	-2.87	-6.41	-6.50	-3.74

ANGLE = 50 DEGREES      RANGE 30.7350      TIME 1219

HH	-14.20	-10.09	-5.89	-1.93
HV	-19.35	-15.52	-12.07	-4.73

ANGLE = 70 DEGREES      RANGE 51.0547      TIME 1225

HH		-17.48	-11.34	-9.50
HV	-25.20	-22.92	-17.84	-12.48

ANGLE = 0 DEGREES      RANGE 19.6666      TIME 1233

HH	6.59	2.85	6.46	4.90
HV	-0.08	-4.00	-0.59	-4.25

ANGLE = 20 DEGREES      RANGE 21.4114      TIME 1242

HH	0.42	-0.80	-0.22	-0.64
HV	-2.60	-7.33	-5.64	-3.37

ANGLE = 50 DEGREES      RANGE 30.2842      TIME 1250

HH	-14.76	-12.36	-6.30	-1.03
HV	-20.68	-16.28	-11.78	-4.18

ANGLE = 70 DEGREES      RANGE 52.6966      TIME 1256

HH		-15.39	-10.73	-7.04
HV	-25.32	-22.55	-16.67	-11.38

BROOKINGS, SOUTH DAKOTA 1979  
SCATTERING COEFFICIENT SIGMA0 (dB)  
SDSU FOOTBALL FIELD

DATE 3/14/79

FREQUENCY (GHZ)

8.6            13.0            17.0            35.6

ANGLE = 0 DEGREES      RANGE 20.1221      TIME 1305

HH	8.92	6.55	8.68	5.61
HV	2.10	-2.42	-0.44	-4.91

ANGLE = 20 DEGREES      RANGE 22.2277      TIME 1318

HH	-0.06	-0.34	-1.36	-1.49
HV	-4.46	-6.27	-7.15	-4.61

ANGLE = 50 DEGREES      RANGE 30.6683      TIME 1327

HH	-15.07	-11.12	-7.05	-1.42
HV	-20.97	-16.90	-12.79	-5.77

ANGLE = 70 DEGREES      RANGE 50.8280      TIME 1332

HH		-17.02	-10.73	-8.96
HV	-24.95	-22.47	-17.34	-12.00

ANGLE = 0 DEGREES      RANGE 19.7353      TIME 1340

HH	8.96	3.15	7.21	6.54
HV	2.20	-4.15	-1.25	-5.31

ANGLE = 20 DEGREES      RANGE 22.3040      TIME 1350

HH	0.83	1.16	-0.53	-1.03
HV	-4.75	-5.05	-7.36	-5.10

ANGLE = 50 DEGREES      RANGE 30.5356      TIME 1403

HH	-14.54	-10.78	-5.81	-1.36
HV	-20.19	-16.51	-12.74	-4.78

ANGLE = 70 DEGREES      RANGE 51.9810      TIME 1409

HH		-16.06	-10.46	-7.50
HV	-24.99	-22.52	-17.05	

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8.6            13.0            17.0            35.6

ANGLE = 0 DEGREES      RANGE 20.0314      TIME 1415

HH		6.70	7.82	5.35
HV	1.51	-1.37	0.35	-4.19

ANGLE = 20 DEGREES      RANGE 21.6604      TIME 1423

HH	0.61	-0.45	0.96	-1.43
HV	-3.41	-5.55	-5.42	-4.94

ANGLE = 50 DEGREES      RANGE 29.2943      TIME 1435

HH	-14.63	-13.63	-6.88	-2.52
HV	-20.70	-18.40	-12.83	-5.43

ANGLE = 70 DEGREES      RANGE 53.4311      TIME 1440

HH		-17.22	-11.61	-6.70
HV	-25.21	-22.84	-16.79	-12.20

ANGLE = 0 DEGREES      RANGE 19.4882      TIME 1448

HH	8.03	2.95	6.43	5.88
HV	1.19	-4.17	0.06	-5.77

ANGLE = 20 DEGREES      RANGE 21.9102      TIME 1459

HH	0.73	0.42	-0.28	-0.60
HV	-3.57	-5.37	-5.63	-4.55

ANGLE = 50 DEGREES      RANGE 29.4689      TIME 1505

HH	-14.63	-11.98	-6.72	-1.68
HV	-20.99	-17.22	-11.55	-4.00

ANGLE = 70 DEGREES      RANGE 52.6362      TIME 1510

HH		-16.16	-10.34	-7.60
HV	-25.03	-21.89	-17.22	-11.51

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8.6                      13.0                      17.0                      35.6

ANGLE = 0 DEGREES      RANGE 20.6126      TIME 844

HH	13.56	10.99	9.29	5.16
HV	4.38	2.25	1.01	-3.24

ANGLE = 20 DEGREES      RANGE 21.7363      TIME 859

HH	-0.61	-3.84	-2.39	-0.61
HV	-5.94	-9.64	-8.73	-2.97

ANGLE = 50 DEGREES      RANGE 31.9948      TIME 907

HH	-12.53	-12.45	-6.94	-2.33
HV	-19.93	-17.90	-12.81	-6.54

ANGLE = 70 DEGREES      RANGE 60.1553      TIME 913

HH			-16.01	-14.28
HV	-24.03	-24.05	-20.17	-18.38

ANGLE = 0 DEGREES      RANGE 20.2731      TIME 925

HH	12.92	8.66	9.16	6.71
HV	4.85	1.52	1.63	-6.05

ANGLE = 20 DEGREES      RANGE 21.9254      TIME 941

HH	-2.20	-3.38	-3.55	-4.84
HV	-7.40	-9.76	-22.49	-9.65

ANGLE = 50 DEGREES      RANGE 31.3015      TIME 951

HH	-15.63	-17.12	-13.85	-12.43
HV	-23.08	-21.26	-18.56	-17.66

ANGLE = 70 DEGREES      RANGE 59.6977      TIME 956

HH			-27.13	-24.94
HV	-26.45	-28.57	-27.02	-31.63



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8.6            13.0            17.0            35.6

ANGLE = 0 DEGREES    RANGE 19.9931    TIME 1005

HH	10.95	6.64	6.18	5.36
HV	2.82	-1.57	-1.76	-14.14

ANGLE = 20 DEGREES    RANGE 22.5576    TIME 1023

HH	-5.22	-5.39	-8.49	-9.95
HV	-10.98	-14.08	-15.35	-19.44

ANGLE = 50 DEGREES    RANGE 31.8396    TIME 1031

HH	-17.22	-19.56	-17.95	-14.09
HV	-24.46	-24.53	-23.82	-24.52

ANGLE = 70 DEGREES    RANGE 64.0300    TIME 1036

HH			-25.08	-23.22
HV	-26.22	-30.44	-30.68	-31.72

ANGLE = 0 DEGREES    RANGE 20.1668    TIME 1047

HH	11.01	7.77	8.40	4.29
HV	1.88	-0.37	-0.10	-16.06

ANGLE = 20 DEGREES    RANGE 22.9270    TIME 1102

HH	-8.70	-9.41	-10.81	-11.98
HV	-14.83	-14.50	-16.84	-21.09

ANGLE = 50 DEGREES    RANGE 31.9349    TIME 1111

HH	-18.33	-21.58	-18.33	-14.23
HV	-25.40	-26.28	-25.52	-22.90

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8.6                  13.0                  17.0                  35.6

ANGLE = 0 DEGREES      RANGE 19.7966      TIME 1124

HH	11.30	6.60	7.73	4.63
HV	0.69	0.76	0.03	-15.49

ANGLE = 20 DEGREES      RANGE 21.8384      TIME 1138

HH	-8.86	-9.89	-11.73	-11.68
HV	-14.42	-16.86	-18.41	-21.00

ANGLE = 50 DEGREES      RANGE 31.6506      TIME 1149

HH		-22.40	-19.65	-14.03
HV	-25.78	-26.03	-25.37	-22.95

ANGLE = 70 DEGREES      RANGE 58.7189      TIME 1155

HH			-25.85	-23.72
HV	-27.00	-31.43	-31.33	-32.57

ANGLE = 0 DEGREES      RANGE 20.0354      TIME 1210

HH	11.67	7.64	8.12	5.91
HV	-0.07	-0.16	-0.01	-15.95

ANGLE = 20 DEGREES      RANGE 22.1902      TIME 1226

HH	-7.18	-10.22	-12.00	-9.81
HV	-16.44	-14.05	-18.71	-18.86

ANGLE = 50 DEGREES      RANGE 32.1982      TIME 1234

HH		-20.91	-18.23	-14.12
HV	-25.89	-26.33	-25.71	-22.25

ANGLE = 70 DEGREES      RANGE 62.8287      TIME 1241

HH			-25.81	-22.84
HV	-26.74	-31.68	-30.37	-31.35

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8.6                  13.0                  17.0                  35.6

ANGLE = 0 DEGREES      RANGE 20.3019      TIME 1248

HH	11.44	10.12	10.20	4.92
HV	1.75	1.59	0.67	-15.71

ANGLE = 20 DEGREES      RANGE 22.2361      TIME 1305

HH	-9.85	-10.53	-11.31	-10.16
HV	-16.79	-17.65	-18.09	-20.14

ANGLE = 50 DEGREES      RANGE 32.4809      TIME 1313

HH		-22.36	-18.98	-11.95
HV	-26.57	-25.05	-25.01	-21.79

ANGLE = 70 DEGREES      RANGE 60.3155      TIME 1318

HH			-24.41	-21.95
HV	-27.12	-31.78	-29.54	-30.72

ANGLE = 0 DEGREES      RANGE 20.0534      TIME 1324

HH	10.84	6.56	8.77	4.54
HV	0.82	-0.52	-0.10	-16.60

ANGLE = 20 DEGREES      RANGE 22.3073      TIME 1340

HH	-10.42	-10.53	-11.17	-10.83
HV	-16.78	-17.37	-18.35	-21.15

ANGLE = 50 DEGREES      RANGE 32.2848      TIME 1348

HH		-21.22	-19.13	-12.51
HV	-26.43	-26.45	-26.01	-22.74

ANGLE = 70 DEGREES      RANGE 66.2875      TIME 1354

HH			-25.44	-21.65
HV	-26.46	-30.86	-30.16	-29.76

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FREQUENCY (GHZ)

8.6            13.0            17.0            35.6

ANGLE = 0 DEGREES      RANGE 20.2299      TIME 1401

HH	11.03	6.46	6.85	4.11
HV	-0.71	0.19	-1.37	-15.98

ANGLE = 20 DEGREES      RANGE 22.2647      TIME 1413

HH	-10.89	-10.52	-10.72	-11.08
HV	-16.95	-16.41	-17.70	-19.95

ANGLE = 50 DEGREES      RANGE 32.8543      TIME 1423

HH		-21.71	-19.23	-12.90
HV	-27.31	-26.39	-24.92	-22.14

ANGLE = 70 DEGREES      RANGE 62.8287      TIME 1428

HH			-24.73	-21.95
HV	-26.98	-31.08	-29.97	-31.20

ANGLE = 0 DEGREES      RANGE 20.3122      TIME 1439

HH	9.57	10.08	10.01	6.50
HV	0.95	1.15	-0.12	-14.28

ANGLE = 20 DEGREES      RANGE 23.1562      TIME 1453

HH	-15.09	-10.14	-13.43	-11.87
HV	-21.66	-17.05	-18.34	-21.38

ANGLE = 50 DEGREES      RANGE 32.0548      TIME 1505

HH		-21.45	-18.81	-13.30
HV	-26.26	-26.29	-24.98	-21.83

ANGLE = 70 DEGREES      RANGE 61.5072      TIME 1511

HH			-24.13	-21.19
HV	-26.83	-30.46	-29.34	-30.50

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8.6                      13.0                      17.0                      35.6

ANGLE = 0 DEGREES      RANGE 20.2833      TIME 1518

HH	10.55	10.41	10.13	5.13
HV	1.95	1.19	1.60	-15.14

ANGLE = 20 DEGREES      RANGE 23.1178      TIME 1532

HH	-16.56	-12.76	-14.02	-12.91
HV	-22.18	-15.91	-18.87	-22.54

ANGLE = 50 DEGREES      RANGE 31.7922      TIME 1541

HH		-23.15	-18.60	-14.09
HV	-26.18	-26.44	-24.30	-22.80

ANGLE = 70 DEGREES      RANGE 63.2528      TIME 1546

HH			-24.61	-20.89
HV	-26.85	-31.02	-29.71	-30.60

ANGLE = 0 DEGREES      RANGE 20.6054      TIME 1553

HH	10.14	8.99	9.16	5.55
HV	1.20	1.72	0.79	-15.53

ANGLE = 20 DEGREES      RANGE 22.1486      TIME 1604

HH	-9.79	-10.26	-11.79	-10.99
HV	-16.56	-16.21	-16.91	-19.60

ANGLE = 50 DEGREES      RANGE 32.4809      TIME 1613

HH		-21.94	-19.18	-13.34
HV	-26.79	-25.86	-24.40	-21.76

ANGLE = 70 DEGREES      RANGE 61.9145      TIME 1620

HH			-23.95	-20.64
HV	-27.16	-31.02	-29.86	-29.72

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8.6            13.0            17.0            35.6

ANGLE = 0 DEGREES      RANGE 20.4594      TIME 1626

HH    9.02        10.10        8.89        5.94

HV    1.18        2.09        1.46        -15.22

ANGLE = 20 DEGREES      RANGE 22.4085      TIME 1639

HH   -11.22      -11.13      -12.71      -10.89

HV   -18.03      -15.48      -18.32      -20.34

ANGLE = 50 DEGREES      RANGE 32.5055      TIME 1648

HH               -21.70      -19.67      -12.59

HV   -26.52      -25.79      -24.42      -23.33

ANGLE = 70 DEGREES      RANGE 63.6823      TIME 1654

HH               -24.37      -21.85

HV   -26.73      -30.60      -29.64      -29.97



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8.6      13.0      17.0      35.6

ANGLE = 40 DEGREES      RANGE 14.6307      TIME 825

HH	-10.49	-10.77	-10.79	-8.16
HV	-14.47	-14.97	-12.95	-9.58

ANGLE = 50 DEGREES      RANGE 18.4029      TIME 837

HH	-13.51	-13.09	-12.65	-9.06
HV	-17.26	-17.13	-15.92	-14.30

ANGLE = 75 DEGREES      RANGE 41.7222      TIME 842

HH	-21.20	-21.32	-16.29	-14.51
HV	-27.24	-26.79	-21.97	-19.58

ANGLE = 40 DEGREES      RANGE 14.6709      TIME 849

HH	-10.38	-9.86	-9.67	-7.92
HV	-14.13	-13.94	-13.36	-10.79

ANGLE = 50 DEGREES      RANGE 17.0661      TIME 854

HH	-11.87	-12.06	-10.83	-7.88
HV	-17.64	-18.63	-14.92	-13.06

ANGLE = 75 DEGREES      RANGE 42.1556      TIME 901

HH	-19.82	-20.03	-16.12	-14.13
HV	-26.33	-25.35	-21.21	-18.73

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8.6                      13.0                      17.0                      35.6

ANGLE = 40 DEGREES      RANGE 14.3724      TIME 907

HH   -9.61      -10.02      -8.89      -5.92

HV   -13.64      -15.15      -14.13      -10.12

ANGLE = 50 DEGREES      RANGE 16.8611      TIME 916

HH   -11.46      -11.26      -10.39      -5.62

HV   -16.08      -17.26      -15.89      -10.79

ANGLE = 75 DEGREES      RANGE 42.6789      TIME 922

HH   -20.31      -21.10      -17.50      -14.24

HV   -27.33      -26.57      -23.00      -17.92

ANGLE = 40 DEGREES      RANGE 14.5113      TIME 927

HH   -10.53      -10.90      -9.09      -7.94

HV   -14.27      -14.61      -13.85      -11.62

ANGLE = 50 DEGREES      RANGE 16.9833      TIME 934

HH   -11.35      -13.21      -10.39      -6.90

HV   -15.34      -17.56      -15.15      -11.36

ANGLE = 75 DEGREES      RANGE 43.1312      TIME 942

HH   -20.42      -19.57      -15.96      -12.36

HV   -27.33      -25.37      -22.25      -16.99

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FREQUENCY (GHZ)

8.6                      13.0                      17.0                      35.6

ANGLE = 40 DEGREES      RANGE 14.4325      TIME 959

HH	-9.13	-8.85	-8.80	-7.92
HV	-13.68	-14.70	-13.97	-10.36

ANGLE = 50 DEGREES      RANGE 17.0423      TIME 1005

HH	-11.26	-10.54	-9.67	-6.01
HV	-16.09	-16.03	-15.44	-9.77

ANGLE = 75 DEGREES      RANGE 41.8004      TIME 1010

HH	-19.55	-18.95	-15.21	-12.53
HV	-26.38	-24.74	-21.52	-18.08

ANGLE = 40 DEGREES      RANGE 14.3455      TIME 1030

HH	-10.61	-11.42	-9.34	-7.32
HV	-13.18	-14.68	-13.68	-11.52

ANGLE = 50 DEGREES      RANGE 17.0661      TIME 1036

HH	-11.03	-9.63	-8.36	-7.54
HV	-15.08	-16.72	-16.38	-12.37

ANGLE = 75 DEGREES      RANGE 41.4891      TIME 1044

HH	-19.72	-19.53	-14.83	-13.12
HV	-26.26	-24.83	-21.64	-17.60

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8.6            13.0            17.0            35.6

ANGLE = 40 DEGREES    RANGE 14.2475    TIME 1100

HH -10.62       -9.32       -9.02       -7.01

HV -14.35       -14.27       -13.07       -11.19

ANGLE = 50 DEGREES    RANGE 16.9002    TIME 1108

HH -11.06       -10.82       -9.96       -7.09

HV -15.31       -16.47       -15.48       -12.56

ANGLE = 75 DEGREES    RANGE 41.3352    TIME 1115

HH -19.40       -18.78       -14.74       -13.89

HV -26.12       -24.81       -21.92       -17.36

ANGLE = 40 DEGREES    RANGE 14.1506    TIME 1158

HH -9.60       -9.46       -7.03       -6.04

HV -14.10       -14.81       -13.10       -10.76

ANGLE = 50 DEGREES    RANGE 17.4971    TIME 1203

HH -10.93       -10.55       -9.71       -8.50

HV -15.25       -16.24       -14.84       -11.40

ANGLE = 75 DEGREES    RANGE 39.2506    TIME 1208

HH -20.08       -20.20       -15.24       -13.72

HV -25.73       -25.12       -21.80       -18.86

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8.6            13.0            17.0            35.6

ANGLE = 40 DEGREES      RANGE 14.3156      TIME 1233

HH	-10.37	-9.01	-9.10	-6.71
HV	-13.75	-15.17	-14.53	-10.87

ANGLE = 50 DEGREES      RANGE 16.2594      TIME 1239

HH	-10.51	-12.05	-8.21	-7.21
HV	-14.99	-18.15	-13.99	-10.53

ANGLE = 75 DEGREES      RANGE 42.3154      TIME 1244

HH	-18.95	-18.22	-15.46	-13.51
HV	-26.48	-25.11	-21.63	-18.18

ANGLE = 40 DEGREES      RANGE 14.4475      TIME 1302

HH	-11.46	-9.97	-9.95	-7.63
HV	-13.99	-13.69	-13.56	-10.72

ANGLE = 50 DEGREES      RANGE 17.3815      TIME 1307

HH	-10.93	-9.93	-8.47	-7.37
HV	-15.87	-16.27	-14.40	-12.09

ANGLE = 75 DEGREES      RANGE 41.4120      TIME 1313

HH	-20.01	-18.41	-14.08	-13.53
HV	-26.07	-24.64	-21.14	-17.15

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8.6            13.0            17.0            35.6

ANGLE = 40 DEGREES      RANGE 14.4145      TIME 1328

HH	-10.76	-9.48	-9.63	-7.61
HV	-13.32	-13.88	-13.39	-11.08

ANGLE = 50 DEGREES      RANGE 17.1381      TIME 1334

HH	-10.45	-10.55	-9.00	-8.40
HV	-14.69	-16.43	-15.08	-11.59

ANGLE = 75 DEGREES      RANGE 41.4506      TIME 1339

HH	-18.60	-18.59	-14.53	-12.58
HV	-25.79	-23.67	-20.78	-16.37

ANGLE = 40 DEGREES      RANGE 16.1100      TIME 1405

HH	-14.27	-12.84	-12.39	-16.56
HV	-16.37	-14.27	-15.52	-19.91

ANGLE = 50 DEGREES      RANGE 17.1581      TIME 1411

HH	-11.92	-9.20	-9.70	-7.26
HV	-14.93	-15.81	-15.24	-11.68

ANGLE = 75 DEGREES      RANGE 41.7293      TIME 1417

HH	-19.43	-18.57	-14.65	-12.81
HV	-25.76	-23.91	-20.89	-16.10



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8.6            13.0            17.0            35.6

ANGLE = 40 DEGREES      RANGE 14.1711      TIME 1432

HH	-9.11	-9.96	-7.80	-7.95
HV	-13.17	-14.85	-12.37	-10.68

ANGLE = 50 DEGREES      RANGE 16.3925      TIME 1439

HH	-10.98	-10.58	-9.60	-5.71
HV	-15.50	-16.89	-15.19	-10.93

ANGLE = 75 DEGREES      RANGE 40.6180      TIME 1445

HH	-16.90	-18.71	-14.20	-12.62
HV	-25.02	-23.99	-20.34	-17.12

ANGLE = 40 DEGREES      RANGE 14.2564      TIME 1502

HH	-9.03	-8.74	-6.99	-6.82
HV	-13.78	-15.18	-11.97	-11.06

ANGLE = 50 DEGREES      RANGE 16.6833      TIME 1508

HH	-10.38	-10.70	-7.73	-7.11
HV	-15.08	-15.97	-14.46	-10.94

ANGLE = 75 DEGREES      RANGE 39.8875      TIME 1515

HH	-17.42	-18.80	-14.45	-12.92
HV	-24.80	-23.28	-20.42	-17.06

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FREQUENCY (GHZ)

8.6            13.0            17.0            35.6

ANGLE = 40 DEGREES    RANGE 17.3939    TIME 912

HH	-6.73	-7.24	-5.21	-6.61
HV	-13.43	-13.98	-10.16	-10.39

ANGLE = 50 DEGREES    RANGE 19.1929    TIME 918

HH	-11.26	-13.72	-7.91	-6.39
HV	-15.55	-18.84	-13.56	-9.51

ANGLE = 75 DEGREES    RANGE 46.6126    TIME 926

HH	-14.79	-16.79	-11.23	-11.54
HV	-21.59	-21.41	-15.40	-15.56

ANGLE = 40 DEGREES    RANGE 16.9538    TIME 934

HH	-6.36	-7.05	-5.42	-5.58
HV	-12.17	-14.48	-10.57	-9.88

ANGLE = 50 DEGREES    RANGE 19.5658    TIME 942

HH	-11.75	-13.60	-8.76	-7.23
HV	-16.70	-17.93	-13.09	-8.94

ANGLE = 75 DEGREES    RANGE 39.2506    TIME 947

HH	-14.45	-13.89	-11.46	-10.13
HV	-21.44	-20.29	-16.49	-13.82

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8.6            13.0            17.0            35.6

ANGLE = 40 DEGREES    RANGE 16.4218    TIME 955

HH	-7.34	-10.48	-5.99	-5.42
HV	-13.57	-16.23	-11.10	-8.71

ANGLE = 50 DEGREES    RANGE 19.7429    TIME 1003

HH	-10.21	-10.04	-6.48	-5.39
HV	-15.66	-16.47	-11.45	-8.26

ANGLE = 75 DEGREES    RANGE 46.6606    TIME 1008

HH	-14.40	-16.46	-11.46	-11.81
HV	-21.49	-21.13	-16.49	-16.02

ANGLE = 40 DEGREES    RANGE 16.3105    TIME 1014

HH	-7.95	-10.64	-5.63	-5.50
HV	-13.32	-16.37	-10.69	-8.94

ANGLE = 50 DEGREES    RANGE 20.2113    TIME 1021

HH	-10.54	-9.40	-6.08	-5.95
HV	-16.07	-15.83	-12.10	-10.23

ANGLE = 75 DEGREES    RANGE 47.5912    TIME 1027

HH	-14.41	-15.62	-10.88	-11.02
HV	-21.98	-20.68	-14.17	-15.14

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8.6            13.0            17.0            35.6

ANGLE = 40 DEGREES      RANGE 17.0204      TIME 1032

HH	-6.59	-8.36	-6.14	-5.74
HV	-12.56	-14.09	-10.92	-9.38

ANGLE = 50 DEGREES      RANGE 20.3448      TIME 1040

HH	-11.19	-9.09	-6.51	-6.81
HV	-15.75	-16.89	-13.70	-10.89

ANGLE = 75 DEGREES      RANGE 46.9994      TIME 1049

HH	-15.31	-15.86	-11.04	-10.55
HV	-22.19	-20.51	-15.26	-14.96

ANGLE = 40 DEGREES      RANGE 16.4373      TIME 1055

HH	-6.88	-8.63	-5.33	-5.45
HV	-12.62	-16.18	-11.40	-8.69

ANGLE = 50 DEGREES      RANGE 20.1214      TIME 1100

HH	-10.30	-11.59	-8.51	-7.45
HV	-14.54	-15.70	-13.02	-9.30

ANGLE = 75 DEGREES      RANGE 25.8413      TIME 1106

HH	-14.76	-16.27	-13.71	-11.01
HV	-20.46	-21.97	-18.91	-15.47

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8.6            13.0            17.0            35.6

ANGLE = 40 DEGREES      RANGE 16.7564      TIME 1114

HH	-7.47	-8.64	-7.06	-7.12
HV	-12.14	-16.14	-12.10	-8.91

ANGLE = 50 DEGREES      RANGE 20.0164      TIME 1119

HH	-10.50	-10.42	-7.03	-5.49
HV	-16.33	-16.57	-13.59	-10.38

ANGLE = 75 DEGREES      RANGE 45.8564      TIME 1125

HH	-14.84	-16.16	-11.65	-12.50
HV	-21.53	-21.24	-17.14	-14.93

ANGLE = 40 DEGREES      RANGE 16.8315      TIME 1131

HH	-6.93	-8.64	-6.90	-5.62
HV	-12.00	-14.71	-11.71	-8.79

ANGLE = 50 DEGREES      RANGE 20.0668      TIME 1138

HH	-10.55	-10.64	-7.17	-5.96
HV	-14.79	-16.59	-13.78	-8.97

ANGLE = 75 DEGREES      RANGE 46.0903      TIME 1146

HH	-14.73	-16.87	-11.85	-11.93
HV	-22.04	-21.71	-16.49	-14.99

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8.6            13.0            17.0            35.6

ANGLE = 40 DEGREES    RANGE 16.5727    TIME 1152

HH	-6.43	-9.52	-6.31	-6.68
HV	-11.96	-15.00	-11.79	-8.57

ANGLE = 50 DEGREES    RANGE 19.8351    TIME 1157

HH	-10.81	-12.84	-8.31	-5.41
HV	-14.87	-16.92	-13.83	-10.37

ANGLE = 75 DEGREES    RANGE 52.3167    TIME 1203

HH	-15.00	-15.81	-11.00	-11.18
HV	-21.61	-19.31	-16.12	-13.82

ANGLE = 40 DEGREES    RANGE 16.8416    TIME 1209

HH	-7.29	-8.17	-7.34	-6.28
HV	-13.11	-16.13	-12.93	-9.08

ANGLE = 50 DEGREES    RANGE 20.2859    TIME 1215

HH	-10.90	-10.23	-8.21	-8.12
HV	-15.35	-15.16	-13.26	-8.66

ANGLE = 75 DEGREES    RANGE 47.6911    TIME 1220

HH	-14.73	-15.23	-10.78	-10.26
HV	-21.36	-20.31	-16.12	-14.36



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8.6            13.0            17.0            35.6

ANGLE = 40 DEGREES    RANGE 16.7757    TIME 1226

HH	-6.38	-7.45	-5.28	-4.63
HV	-12.27	-13.91	-11.94	-8.23

ANGLE = 50 DEGREES    RANGE 20.2220    TIME 1231

HH	-10.02	-10.97	-7.12	-6.20
HV	-14.44	-15.88	-13.11	-10.14

ANGLE = 75 DEGREES    RANGE 47.5912    TIME 1235

HH	-14.63	-17.45	-12.44	-13.42
HV	-21.25	-21.08	-16.69	-16.20

ANGLE = 40 DEGREES    RANGE 16.6948    TIME 1242

HH	-6.95	-7.92	-5.03	-4.48
HV	-11.93	-14.64	-10.68	-8.58

ANGLE = 50 DEGREES    RANGE 20.0793    TIME 1246

HH	-10.69	-11.33	-7.90	-5.32
HV	-14.85	-15.75	-12.80	-9.19

ANGLE = 75 DEGREES    RANGE 20.0793    TIME 1251

HH	-13.58	-14.44	-10.68	-10.22
HV	-20.36	-19.07	-14.55	-13.06

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8.6            13.0            17.0            35.6

ANGLE = 40 DEGREES      RANGE 16.6145      TIME 1257

HH	-6.40	-8.64	-5.97	-3.54
HV	-12.17	-15.48	-12.67	-9.27

ANGLE = 50 DEGREES      RANGE 19.9176      TIME 1303

HH	-10.96	-10.49	-7.99	-6.90
HV	-14.15	-15.77	-13.63	-8.30

ANGLE = 75 DEGREES      RANGE 50.2694      TIME 1308

HH	-14.86	-15.31	-11.00	-9.71
HV	-21.13	-18.97	-16.03	-14.07

ANGLE = 40 DEGREES      RANGE 16.9041      TIME 1315

HH	-7.20	-8.11	-5.24	-4.94
HV	-12.13	-15.24	-11.80	-8.88

ANGLE = 50 DEGREES      RANGE 19.7226      TIME 1321

HH	-11.05	-11.13	-6.84	-5.86
HV	-15.14	-16.83	-13.03	-8.96

ANGLE = 75 DEGREES      RANGE 50.3248      TIME 1326

HH	-15.44	-15.28	-11.21	-9.71
HV	-21.62	-19.27	-15.88	-14.55

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ANGLE = 40 DEGREES RANGE 16.5918 TIME 1335

HH	-7.35	-10.40	-6.47	-4.22
HV	-12.29	-16.35	-12.75	8.03

ANGLE = 50 DEGREES RANGE 21.1616 TIME 1339

HH	-11.13	7.44	-6.76	-6.31
HV	-15.35	-14.70	-13.24	-9.88

ANGLE = 75 DEGREES RANGE 49.5603 TIME 1345

HH	-14.30	-15.53	-11.40	-10.29
HV	-21.29	-20.23	-15.88	-13.87

ANGLE = 40 DEGREES RANGE 17.5388 TIME 1351

HH	-7.02	-8.28	-5.25	-6.98
HV	-12.24	-13.68	-12.61	-9.77

ANGLE = 50 DEGREES RANGE 20.9564 TIME 1357

HH	-10.51	-9.73	-7.18	-6.83
HV	-14.82	-14.24	-12.91	-9.49

ANGLE = 75 DEGREES RANGE 51.2834 TIME 1402

HH	-15.36	-14.29	-11.64	-10.93
HV	-21.29	-19.09	-15.85	-13.64

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8.6            13.0            17.0            35.6

ANGLE = 40 DEGREES    RANGE 16.8387    TIME 1408

HH	-7.06	-9.69	-6.34	-4.55
HV	-13.29	-15.31	-11.65	-8.41

ANGLE = 50 DEGREES    RANGE 21.2077    TIME 1416

HH	-11.42	-9.45	-8.12	-6.99
HV	-15.12	-14.57	-13.12	-10.51

ANGLE = 75 DEGREES    RANGE 50.0492    TIME 1422

HH	-15.03	-15.98	-11.30	-11.39
HV	-20.95	-19.82	-15.42	-15.12

ANGLE = 40 DEGREES    RANGE 17.6056    TIME 1427

HH	-7.46	-6.85	-6.61	-5.83
HV	-11.82	-13.72	-10.60	-9.37

ANGLE = 50 DEGREES    RANGE 20.8551    TIME 1432

HH	-10.32	-8.87	-7.40	-5.79
HV	-15.42	-14.58	-12.33	-9.78

ANGLE = 75 DEGREES    RANGE 51.2260    TIME 1438

HH	-14.98	-15.24	-12.71	-10.48
HV	-22.00	-19.95	-16.23	-13.56

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8.6            13.0            17.0            35.6

ANGLE = 40 DEGREES      RANGE 17.5763      TIME 1443

HH	-7.19	-6.15	-5.14	-4.70
HV	-11.59	-12.36	-11.37	-9.64

ANGLE = 50 DEGREES      RANGE 21.1962      TIME 1448

HH	-10.96	-8.61	-7.37	-6.26
HV	-15.33	-14.37	-12.62	-10.30

ANGLE = 75 DEGREES      RANGE 51.3984      TIME 1453

HH	-14.52	-15.01	-10.65	-11.27
HV	-21.53	-19.77	-16.38	-14.30

ANGLE = 40 DEGREES      RANGE 17.5680      TIME 1500

HH	-7.36	-7.01	-6.08	-4.12
HV	-12.28	-12.96	-11.66	-9.73

ANGLE = 50 DEGREES      RANGE 20.6054      TIME 1504

HH	-10.11	-10.06	-7.19	-5.60
HV	-15.69	-15.34	-13.38	-8.96

ANGLE = 75 DEGREES      RANGE 50.0492      TIME 1510

HH	-14.64	-15.34	-11.43	-10.38
HV	-21.22	-19.50	-15.82	-14.26

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8.6            13.0            17.0            35.6

ANGLE = 40 DEGREES    RANGE 17.0344    TIME 1516

HH	-7.20	-7.86	-5.17	-5.92
HV	-11.63	-14.89	-10.58	-9.34

ANGLE = 50 DEGREES    RANGE 20.2007    TIME 1521

HH	-10.27	-10.35	-6.51	-5.08
HV	-15.72	-16.54	-13.43	-9.31

ANGLE = 75 DEGREES    RANGE 49.7222    TIME 1526

HH	-14.51	-15.55	-10.96	-10.56
HV	-21.58	-20.52	-15.28	-14.72

ANGLE = 40 DEGREES    RANGE 17.7748    TIME 1531

HH	-6.94	-7.33	-7.26	-6.12
HV	-11.78	-11.56	-11.03	-8.98

ANGLE = 50 DEGREES    RANGE 21.1789    TIME 1536

HH	-9.75	-8.46	-6.44	-6.22
HV	-15.04	-13.01	-12.32	-9.62

ANGLE = 75 DEGREES    RANGE 51.6300    TIME 1541

HH	-14.34	-15.01	-10.77	-10.70
HV	-21.64	-19.69	-15.95	-15.16



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8.6            13.0            17.0            35.6

ANGLE = 40 DEGREES    RANGE 17.0677    TIME 1549

HH	-6.62	-9.06	-5.20	-5.68
HV	-12.23	-13.98	-10.58	-9.44

ANGLE = 50 DEGREES    RANGE 20.1478    TIME 1556

HH	-11.11	-10.56	-6.79	-5.13
HV	-15.16	-16.50	-13.46	-8.96

ANGLE = 75 DEGREES    RANGE 50.3802    TIME 1600

HH	-14.58	-15.64	-11.19	-10.69
HV	-21.77	-19.65	-15.84	-14.07

ANGLE = 40 DEGREES    RANGE 17.0542    TIME 1750

HH	-6.77	-8.97	-4.29	-4.86
HV	-11.40	-14.36	-11.48	-8.46

ANGLE = 50 DEGREES    RANGE 20.0321    TIME 1756

HH	-10.55	-11.04	-7.88	-6.18
HV	-16.14	-15.78	-13.58	-9.56

ANGLE = 75 DEGREES    RANGE 52.1581    TIME 1803

HH	-14.99	-15.28	-11.06	-10.87
HV	-21.56	-19.33	-16.43	-14.48

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8.6            13.0            17.0            35.6

ANGLE = 40 DEGREES    RANGE 17.0105    TIME 2029

HH	-6.63	-7.94	-5.76	-4.63
HV	-11.95	-13.50	-10.48	-7.89

ANGLE = 50 DEGREES    RANGE 19.9073    TIME 2034

HH	-10.09	-10.22	-7.15	-5.90
HV	-15.95	-17.25	-13.31	-10.16

ANGLE = 75 DEGREES    RANGE 49.1862    TIME 2039

HH	-15.13	-16.09	-11.39	-10.80
HV	-21.59	-19.88	-16.65	-14.47

ANGLE = 40 DEGREES    RANGE 16.1463    TIME 2133

HH	-10.34	-14.07	-10.14	-6.77
HV	-14.32	-18.98	-14.77	-12.58

ANGLE = 50 DEGREES    RANGE 21.1732    TIME 2139

HH	-10.46	-8.79	-7.09	-6.35
HV	-14.51	-13.50	-12.06	-9.08

ANGLE = 75 DEGREES    RANGE 48.1970    TIME 2144

HH	-14.95	-15.86	-11.42	-10.42
HV	-21.12	-19.84	-16.74	-15.14

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8.6            13.0            17.0            35.6

ANGLE = 40 DEGREES      RANGE 16.6245      TIME 746

HH	-13.73	-19.02	-16.93	-16.30
HV	-22.22	-24.69	-22.87	-27.22

ANGLE = 50 DEGREES      RANGE 21.4702      TIME 755

HH	-18.77	-20.70	-19.66	-18.76
HV	-24.79	-25.01	-24.97	-28.54

ANGLE = 75 DEGREES      RANGE 53.6802      TIME 802

HH		-27.11	-23.66	-24.20
HV	-27.48	-30.43	-28.40	-32.50

ANGLE = 40 DEGREES      RANGE 17.0383      TIME 810

HH	-14.50	-17.76	-16.88	-16.36
HV	-20.92	-22.44	-23.30	-26.93

ANGLE = 50 DEGREES      RANGE 20.3073      TIME 817

HH	-16.91	-20.96	-21.24	-18.89
HV	-23.90	-25.29	-25.78	-28.35

ANGLE = 75 DEGREES      RANGE 61.4264      TIME 823

HH		-23.82	-21.97	-21.25
HV	-27.27	-28.55	-27.68	-29.73

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8.6            13.0            17.0            35.6

ANGLE = 40 DEGREES      RANGE 16.3702      TIME 830

HH -14.33      -21.14      -20.09      -17.01

HV -22.23      -25.66      -25.93      -26.64

ANGLE = 50 DEGREES      RANGE 20.4853      TIME 836

HH -17.81      -21.33      -21.76      -19.64

HV -25.24      -26.14      -25.87      -27.57

ANGLE = 75 DEGREES      RANGE 59.3932      TIME 842

HH              -25.27      -23.04      -22.70

HV -27.31      -29.94      -29.54      -30.14

ANGLE = 40 DEGREES      RANGE 18.2993      TIME 849

HH -17.63      -18.20      -19.24      -17.71

HV -23.89      -23.38      -25.55      -29.65

ANGLE = 50 DEGREES      RANGE 20.3663      TIME 854

HH -17.12      -21.93      -21.70      -18.31

HV -24.22      -26.16      -26.27      -27.25

ANGLE = 75 DEGREES      RANGE 60.3936      TIME 900

HH              -24.54      -22.43      -21.34

HV -27.02      -29.33      -28.44      -29.27

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8.6 13.0 17.0 35.6

ANGLE = 40 DEGREES RANGE 17.1260 TIME 905

HH	-15.76	-20.10	-18.17	-17.51
HV	-22.43	-23.50	-25.49	-26.38

ANGLE = 50 DEGREES RANGE 19.9956 TIME 911

HH	-17.54	-22.20	-21.35	-17.80
HV	-23.79	-26.56	-26.85	-28.31

ANGLE = 75 DEGREES RANGE 58.4973 TIME 917

HH		-24.68	-22.21	-23.73
HV	-27.14	-28.86	-23.30	-28.23

ANGLE = 40 DEGREES RANGE 17.0677 TIME 923

HH	-15.27	-19.65	-18.38	-17.18
HV	-22.67	-24.71	-25.11	-27.03

ANGLE = 50 DEGREES RANGE 19.8763 TIME 931

HH	-18.04	-22.55	-21.79	-17.73
HV	-23.98	-26.79	-26.85	-28.38

ANGLE = 75 DEGREES RANGE 57.6984 TIME 936

HH		-25.28	-21.69	-20.90
HV	-27.58	-30.23	-28.37	-28.88

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ANGLE = 40 DEGREES RANGE 16.9632 TIME 942

HH	-15.47	-19.06	-18.04	-17.49
HV	-23.26	-23.50	-23.69	-25.91

ANGLE = 50 DEGREES RANGE 20.1458 TIME 948

HH	-18.46	-21.79	-21.55	-20.27
HV	-25.01	-26.49	-25.56	-27.71

ANGLE = 75 DEGREES RANGE 57.6267 TIME 956

HH		-24.97	-23.27	-22.21
HV	-27.44	-29.35	-28.40	-28.89

ANGLE = 40 DEGREES RANGE 17.2145 TIME 1005

HH	-16.38	-19.53	-19.00	-16.43
HV	-23.05	-24.28	-24.83	-27.81

ANGLE = 50 DEGREES RANGE 20.4527 TIME 1011

HH	-19.22	-22.17	-20.35	-17.89
HV	-24.07	-26.04	-26.28	-29.10

ANGLE = 75 DEGREES RANGE 51.8049 TIME 1017

HH		-26.04	-25.07	-25.24
HV	-28.20	-31.79	-30.31	-32.68



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8.6      13.0      17.0      35.6

ANGLE = 40 DEGREES      RANGE 17.3759      TIME 1031

HH   -16.72      -18.79      -17.27      -16.49

HV   -23.24      -24.19      -24.66      -27.02

ANGLE = 50 DEGREES      RANGE 20.3394      TIME 1039

HH   -18.63      -22.27      -19.93      -17.63

HV   -24.24      -26.29      -25.32      -29.19

ANGLE = 75 DEGREES      RANGE 57.6984      TIME 1045

HH              -23.77      -21.57      -20.90

HV   -26.69      -27.64      -28.32      -29.82

ANGLE = 40 DEGREES      RANGE 16.9868      TIME 1054

HH   -16.69      -20.50      -19.41      -16.05

HV   -23.90      -24.58      -26.36      -29.87

ANGLE = 50 DEGREES      RANGE 20.5780      TIME 1059

HH   -18.19      -21.25      -21.47      -17.80

HV   -24.94      -25.89      -26.76      -28.71

ANGLE = 75 DEGREES      RANGE 51.2260      TIME 1105

HH              -28.09      -25.51      -25.63

HV   -28.39      -31.88      -30.36      -33.52

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8.6      13.0      17.0      35.6

ANGLE = 40 DEGREES      RANGE 16.9632      TIME 1112

HH -16.23      -19.91      -19.63      -16.38

HV -23.40      -23.82      -23.87      -28.95

ANGLE = 50 DEGREES      RANGE 19.5257      TIME 1118

HH -18.12      -23.90      -21.27      -19.50

HV -24.92      -28.08      -27.13      -28.11

ANGLE = 75 DEGREES      RANGE 55.9572      TIME 1124

HH              -24.94      -22.63      -22.05

HV -26.76      -29.61      -28.89      -29.58

ANGLE = 40 DEGREES      RANGE 16.9947      TIME 1134

HH -14.80      -19.56      -17.99      -16.70

HV -23.08      -23.77      -24.99      -27.85

ANGLE = 50 DEGREES      RANGE 20.7102      TIME 1140

HH -19.35      -21.49      -20.70      -18.70

HV -26.51      -26.44      -26.51      -29.62

ANGLE = 75 DEGREES      RANGE 54.3127      TIME 1145

HH              -25.63      -23.33      -22.80

HV -28.00      -30.88      -29.49      -30.72

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FREQUENCY (GHZ)

8.6      13.0      17.0      35.6

ANGLE = 40 DEGREES      RANGE 16.8689      TIME 1159

HH	-14.75	-19.15	-19.46	-18.06
HV	-23.81	-23.02	-23.31	-27.40

ANGLE = 50 DEGREES      RANGE 20.5725      TIME 1204

HH	-18.39	-21.65	-21.51	-17.68
HV	-24.86	-25.01	-26.80	-28.42

ANGLE = 75 DEGREES      RANGE 57.5553      TIME 1210

HH		-24.26	-21.46	-21.04
HV	-26.04	-28.31	-27.55	-30.58

ANGLE = 40 DEGREES      RANGE 17.2429      TIME 1216

HH	-15.39	-19.58	-18.73	-15.87
HV	-23.75	-24.57	-24.93	-27.24

ANGLE = 50 DEGREES      RANGE 26.4853      TIME 1221

HH	-19.40	-21.50	-19.87	-17.90
HV	-25.84	-26.44	-26.43	-27.22

ANGLE = 75 DEGREES      RANGE 57.9865      TIME 1227

HH		-24.57	-21.73	-21.38
HV	-26.62	-28.39	-27.22	-29.18

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FREQUENCY (GHZ)

8.6      13.0      17.0      35.6

ANGLE = 40 DEGREES      RANGE 17.0224      TIME 1233

HH -14.97      -19.45      -17.22      -15.65

HV -22.70      -23.55      -24.88      -27.16

ANGLE = 50 DEGREES      RANGE 19.7022      TIME 1239

HH -18.03      -23.76      -22.32      -19.26

HV -24.79      -28.03      -26.68      -28.73

ANGLE = 75 DEGREES      RANGE 58.1316      TIME 1245

HH              -24.18      -21.03      -21.17

HV -26.56      -28.08      -27.01      -28.27

ANGLE = 40 DEGREES      RANGE 17.0901      TIME 1354

HH -15.34      -18.43      -18.82      -15.10

HV -23.45      -23.58      -24.66      -26.41

ANGLE = 50 DEGREES      RANGE 20.0832      TIME 1359

HH -18.65      -23.11      -20.86      -17.83

HV -25.01      -26.32      -26.35      -27.66

ANGLE = 75 DEGREES      RANGE 58.9420      TIME 1407

HH              -21.81      -20.10      -19.59

HV -25.51      -25.35      -25.19      -26.78

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FREQUENCY (GHZ)

8.6      13.0      17.0      35.6

ANGLE = 40 DEGREES      RANGE 16.6450      TIME 1627

HH -15.98      -20.59      -17.38      -17.03

HV -23.53      -24.21      -23.83      -25.49

ANGLE = 50 DEGREES      RANGE 20.3502      TIME 1634

HH -20.24      -22.49      -19.80      -16.71

HV -26.69      -26.72      -27.72      -26.90

ANGLE = 75 DEGREES      RANGE 58.5711      TIME 1639

HH              -20.29      -18.91      -19.72

HV -24.13      -24.84      -24.14      -27.82

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STAUROLITE SNOWDRIFT (ROUGHNESS DATA)

DATE: 3/19/79

FREQUENCY (GHZ)

8.6      13.0      17.0      35.6

ANGLE = 40 DEGREES    RANGE 18.8460    TIME: 855

HH	-19.70	-21.50	-21.30	-16.90
HV	-27.50	-26.70	-25.90	-26.00

ANGLE = 50 DEGREES    RANGE 23.0175    TIME: 901

HH	-20.90	-23.20	-21.70	-18.20
HV	-28.80	-28.60	-27.90	-26.30

ANGLE = 75 DEGREES    RANGE 64.1096    TIME: 905

HH	-19.50	-21.80	-20.90	-19.70
HV	-26.60	-25.90	-24.90	-26.30

ANGLE = 40 DEGREES    RANGE 18.8318    TIME: 913

HH	-19.80	-20.50	-19.50	-15.50
HV	-27.00	-26.70	-24.40	-26.80

ANGLE = 50 DEGREES    RANGE 23.4027    TIME: 919

HH	-20.40	-22.00	-21.60	-18.20
HV	-28.80	-27.50	-26.90	-27.80

ANGLE = 75 DEGREES    RANGE 64.4697    TIME: 924

HH	-19.20	-21.20	-21.50	-19.40
HV	-26.30	-25.50	-25.30	-26.20



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STAUROLITE SNOWDRIFT (ROUGHNESS DATA)

DATE: 3/19/79

FREQUENCY (GHZ)

8.6      13.0      17.0      35.6

ANGLE = 40 DEGREES    RANGE 18.8648    TIME: 932

HH -18.50      -20.80      -20.40      -17.40

HV -26.60      -25.60      -25.10      -27.60

ANGLE = 50 DEGREES    RANGE 22.9578    TIME: 937

HH -20.70      -22.40      -21.40      -17.20

HV -28.70      -27.50      -26.20      -27.60

ANGLE = 75 DEGREES    RANGE 62.5768    TIME: 942

HH -19.10      -20.00      -20.10      -20.10

HV -24.70      -24.70      -24.40      -25.90

ANGLE = 40 DEGREES    RANGE 18.7009    TIME: 1012

HH -12.00      -14.40      -14.70      -12.40

HV -19.30      -19.80      -18.60      -21.70

ANGLE = 50 DEGREES    RANGE 23.1514    TIME: 1018

HH -13.30      -15.80      -14.10      -14.90

HV -22.00      -19.40      -20.30      -23.10

ANGLE = 75 DEGREES    RANGE 61.3458    TIME: 1023

HH -17.60      -20.00      -18.10      -19.20

HV -24.20      -23.30      -22.90      -25.50

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STAUROLITE SNOWDRIFT (ROUGHNESS DATA)

DATE: 3/19/79

FREQUENCY (GHZ)

8.6      13.0      17.0      35.6

ANGLE = 40 DEGREES    RANGE 18.7522    TIME: 1028

HH	-10.80	-13.80	-14.40	-12.70
HV	-18.80	-19.30	-19.50	-22.20

ANGLE = 50 DEGREES    RANGE 23.9838    TIME: 1033

HH	-15.60	-14.50	-15.80	-13.80
HV	-22.50	-20.40	-21.00	-22.40

ANGLE = 75 DEGREES    RANGE 60.3936    TIME: 1038

HH	-18.40	-21.20	-19.60	-20.50
HV	-24.90	-24.80	-23.60	-27.30

ANGLE = 40 DEGREES    RANGE 18.7802    TIME: 1043

HH	-10.80	-13.90	-12.60	-10.90
HV	-19.50	-19.10	-18.20	-21.60

ANGLE = 50 DEGREES    RANGE 23.2934    TIME: 1048

HH	-13.10	-14.30	-14.40	-13.50
HV	-21.50	-20.40	-20.50	-24.00

ANGLE = 75 DEGREES    RANGE 61.7658    TIME: 1053

HH	-18.00	-18.80	-18.50	-19.40
HV	-24.40	-23.50	-23.30	-27.30

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STAUROLITE SNOWDRIFT (ROUGHNESS DATA)

DATE: 3/19/79

FREQUENCY (GHZ)

8.6      13.0      17.0      35.6

ANGLE = 00 DEGREES    RANGE 16.6260    TIME: 1128

HH	3.80	1.80	-0.20	-2.50
HV	-3.80	-4.20	-7.30	-19.30

ANGLE = 10 DEGREES    RANGE 17.1581    TIME: 1141

HH	-1.00	-2.00	-3.60	-5.80
HV	-9.20	-7.70	-10.80	-20.20

ANGLE = 20 DEGREES    RANGE 17.7409    TIME: 1153

HH	-6.40	-7.90	-8.90	-9.70
HV	-13.80	-15.10	-16.00	-20.20

ANGLE = 00 DEGREES    RANGE 16.6750    TIME: 1218

HH	-4.60	-5.90	-7.10	-9.10
HV	-11.20	-10.90	-14.50	-19.90

ANGLE = 10 DEGREES    RANGE 17.4268    TIME: 1236

HH	-6.90	-8.10	-8.90	-9.80
HV	-13.80	-13.70	-14.80	-22.00

ANGLE = 20 DEGREES    RANGE 18.2057    TIME: 1249

HH	-8.20	-9.00	-10.50	-10.80
HV	-14.40	-14.40	-16.30	-21.00

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STAUROLITE SNOWDRIFT (ROUGHNESS DATA)

DATE: 3/19/79

FREQUENCY (GHZ)

8.6      13.0      17.0      35.6

ANGLE = 00 DEGREES    RANGE 16.6184    TIME: 1418

HH	-4.30	-6.00	-7.50	-10.50
HV	-12.30	-12.90	-14.30	-21.50

ANGLE = 10 DEGREES    RANGE 17.2529    TIME: 1431

HH	-7.70	-7.20	-11.10	-10.20
HV	-13.80	-13.00	-16.30	-19.20

ANGLE = 20 DEGREES    RANGE 17.8090    TIME: 1442

HH	-8.00	-9.50	-11.10	-11.70
HV	-14.70	-16.00	-17.10	-19.10

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STAUROLITE SNOWDRIFT (SNOWPILES)

DATE: 3/21/79

FREQUENCY (GHz)

8.6 13.0 17.0 35.6

ANGLE = 40 DEGREES RANGE 15.3911 TIME: 802 SNOW DEPTH: 0 cm

HH -6.77 -7.04 -7.53  
HV -14.57 -14.46 -13.89

ANGLE = 40 DEGREES RANGE 15.1594 TIME: 812 SNOW DEPTH: 143 cm

HH -10.97 -8.31 -7.88  
HV -17.33 -13.56 -12.86

ANGLE = 40 DEGREES RANGE 15.3577 TIME: 823 SNOW DEPTH: 51 cm

HH -12.46 -13.46 -11.74  
HV -20.23 -19.50 -17.75

ANGLE = 40 DEGREES RANGE 15.3727 TIME: 834 SNOW DEPTH: 79 cm

HH -13.24 -12.31 -11.32  
HV -21.81 -18.97 -16.39

ANGLE = 0 DEGREES RANGE 12.4615 TIME: 1038 SNOW DEPTH: 0 cm

HH 7.40 9.23 4.58 3.61  
HV -0.61 3.71 2.39 -8.36

ANGLE = 0 DEGREES RANGE 11.3632 TIME: 1004 SNOW DEPTH: 143 cm

HH 3.44 6.05 6.27 4.21  
HV -4.93 -2.63 -1.33 -18.66

ANGLE = 0 DEGREES RANGE 10.9916 TIME: 1025 SNOW DEPTH: 51 cm

HH 4.81 -1.80 2.72 0.78  
HV -4.25 -8.72 -5.45 -18.24

ANGLE = 0 DEGREES RANGE 11.2235 TIME: 1042 SNOW DEPTH: 79 cm

HH 5.67 -1.25 -0.19 0.23  
HV -4.97 -9.77 -9.89 -19.24

BROOKINGS, SOUTH DAKOTA 1979  
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STAUROLITE SNOWDRIFT (SNOWPILES)

DATE: 3/21/79

FREQUENCY (GHz)

8.6 13.0 17.0 35.6

ANGLE = 0 DEGREES RANGE 14.2859 TIME: 1508 SNOW DEPTH: 0 cm

HH	2.47	2.45	0.58	-0.96
HV	-1.75	-0.99	-2.61	-5.97

ANGLE = 0 DEGREES RANGE 13.7807 TIME: 1530 SNOW DEPTH: 143 cm

HH	-6.06	3.75	2.53	-6.87
HV	-12.19	-1.76	-3.98	-24.22

ANGLE = 0 DEGREES RANGE 14.1523 TIME: 1553 SNOW DEPTH: 51 cm

HH	1.54	5.50	2.77	-0.69
HV	-5.49	-1.13	-3.25	-17.68

ANGLE = 0 DEGREES RANGE 13.5636 TIME: 1612 SNOW DEPTH: 79 cm

HH	1.31	1.80	1.13	-4.74
HV	-5.32	-4.35	-5.13	-18.62

ANGLE = 40 DEGREES RANGE 19.7174 TIME: 1640 SNOW DEPTH: 0 cm

HH	-5.84	-2.98	-4.62	-6.45
HV	-11.45	-9.87	-10.35	-11.55

ANGLE = 40 DEGREES RANGE 18.3667 TIME: 1650 SNOW DEPTH: 143 cm

HH		-18.63	-18.58	-16.63
HV		-22.55	-22.39	-26.69

ANGLE = 40 DEGREES RANGE 19.1443 TIME: 1700 SNOW DEPTH: 51 cm

HH		-20.81	-20.14	-15.69
HV		-24.79	-24.81	-26.94

ANGLE = 40 DEGREES RANGE 18.5945 TIME: 1710 SNOW DEPTH: 79 cm

HH		-20.51	-18.45	-14.47
HV		-26.32	-23.76	-23.58